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Wallace's no more-- University Bookstore now owned by Barnes and Noble franchise

By Rondray Hill
Editor

Barnes and Noble Co. officially took over operation of the University Bookstore Monday afternoon.

"We'll know more about what the company wants to do by next week," said new manager Karen Longino. "There will be a totally different look to the store.

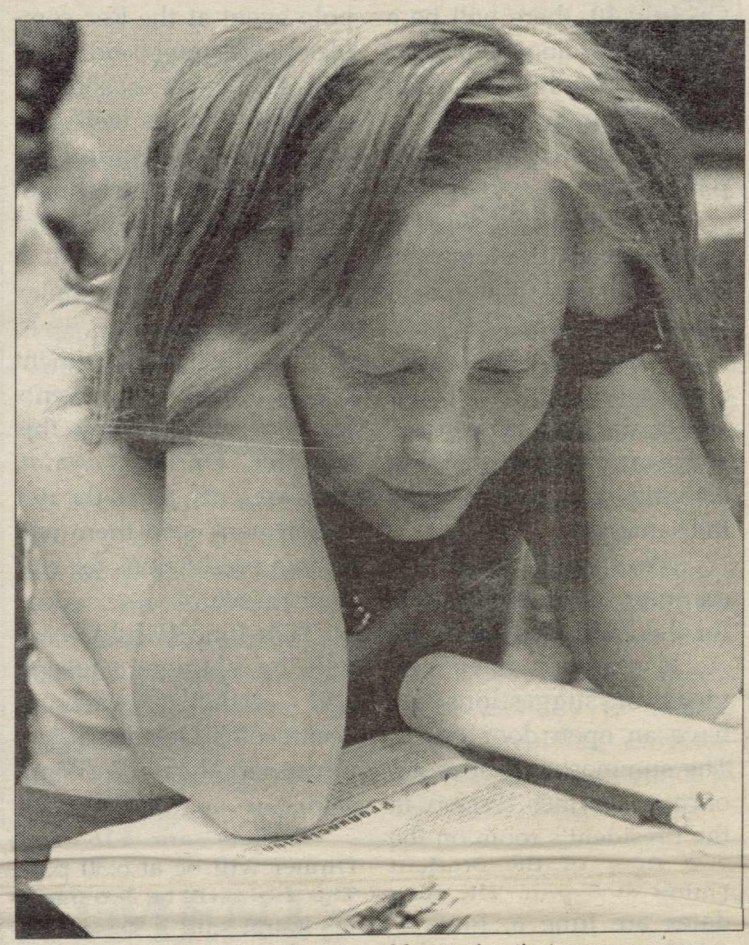
Barnes and Noble bought the bookstore after its owner, *Wallace Bookstores,* filed for bankruptcy this spring. Longino said the store hours would remain the same and that all of their employees will keep their jobs.

Students will be able to sell their books back to the bookstore during the summer sessions.

"We think this will be a positive for NSU. It'll be a more exciting bookstore, and we hope to have everything finished before the fall semester arrives."

Summertime. The time of year when you can kick back, relax and do nothing. Wait a minute...we're in Summer school. Never mind. We have to deal with tests, papers, classes,and Louisiana heat.

So to help you out, The Current Sauce went in search of ways to keep you from suffer a complete mental breakdown. We sure ain't no Doctors, but we think we have your cure for...



Junior Erin Carrigee has the look of frustration that many summer school students have. Read about how you can combat summer fatigue.
Photo by Rachael Kidd

...The Summertime Blues

By Heather Patton
Sauce Reporter

Summertime can be a time for fun. But for students who have summer school, they may be wondering just what is there to do on campus?

The Student Activities Board, together with Intramurals, and the theater department all have activities planned to get students involved on campus in the summer and give them a break from the everyday class sessions.

Susanna Deshotel, assistant director of student activities and leadership for organizations, said because most students are living in Bossier dorm for the summer sessions, it would be more convenient to have all the activities at that residence hall.

"We want to give students a break from their books and give them time to relax in each session," Deshotel said. "It is also a good chance for residents of Bossier to meet other residents of Bossier. These students pay for the events from their student activity fee, so they're getting what they paid for."

Each event is planned during each summer session. On May 23, the SAB will show "Miss Congeniality" at 7 p.m. in Bossier's lobby.

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NSU Head Start needs applicants for program

By Jennifer Bocanegra
Sauce Reporter

The Northwestern State University Head Start Center is looking for children ages three and four to fill in available slots.

Debra Jo Hailey, teacher and center supervisor, says that NSU's "Head Start" is a federally funded program designed to provide a preschool environment for children of Northwestern State University students. Nationally, the Head Start Program began in 1964 and the Head Start Center, located on the NSU main campus opened in 1994. It is designed to hold up to 32 preschool students. There are currently openings available for the upcoming fall semester.

NSU Head Start Center is open from 7:30 a.m. and runs until 3:30 p.m. Hailey says that children who participate in the program spend their days learning a wide variety of subjects to include, math, social studies, language, and motor skills.

"Head Start is really comprehensive, we don't just look at the child.

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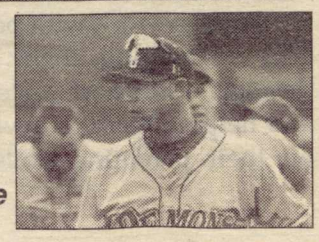
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Summer activities planned to keep students busy

On June 13, there will be a Karaoke Night with refreshments at 7 o'clock. On July 10, there will be a bar-b-que at noon in Bossier parking lot with music. On July 25, there will be a Bingo Night with prizes at 7 p.m.

For students who wish to get involved in events the SAB planning, there is a summer council they can join. There will be a summer workshop in July where the SAB will brainstorm and begin planning activities and dates for the fall semester.

"We spend a lot of our summer planning events for the Fall," Deshotel said.

If students have any ideas of suggestions we have an open door policy. The summer council meets once a summer session in the President's room on the 2nd floor of the Student Union at 5 p.m. The next dates are June 6, June 27 and July 18."

Mark Deshotel, director of student activities and leadership for intramurals and recreational sports, said there will be several events for students this summer as well.

"We will have a water polo event at the Rec complex," Deshotel said. "We will also have a cookout with the SAB as well as a tennis tournament and the follies for Freshman Connection. At the end of the summer, there will a cookout at the Rec complex for sorority rush."

The theater department will also have some events for students to enjoy this summer. Dr. Jack Wann, director of the theater department, said there will be two productions for students to see.

"On June 19-July 1, we will be showing 'Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat,' as a dinner theater," Wann said.

Tickets are $16 and Dinner will be at 6:30 p.m. The show will be at 8 p.m.

Wann said a reason for doing dinner and dessert theaters in the summer is to give people a diversity of experiences.

"Part of the educational experience is to try different presentations," Wann said. "This teaches people there are more ways of seeing theater."

With all the variety of activities and events, students living on campus can keep those "summertime blues" away.



Junior Jill Lowe relaxes by the pool at the NSU rec center while doing a little studying. Photo by Rachael Kidd

Get Involved!

Not sure what s going on? Here are some of ways you can keep from going insane this Summer.

- **SAB Karaoke Night**
  June 13, Bossier Hall
  7 p.m.
- **SAB BBQ**
  July 10, Bossier Parking lot. Noon.
- **The Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat Dinner Theatre**
  June 19- July 1, $16
  6:30 p.m. each night.

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Program teaches life skills to both children and their parents

We look at the child in the context of the family and the whole community. We do things to help the child learn," says Hailey.

Garland Smith, Family Service Worker, says that the program also aides families by helping them to meet various needs while they have children enrolled in the program. Even though Hailey says that the program is free of monetary charge, parents are encouraged to donate two hours a week at the center working with the children.

"We also work with parents in helping them to develop a support system and helping them to develop their parenting skills," says Hailey.

NSU Head Start

Qualifying children must reach age three by Sept. 30th and cannot be five before Sept. 30.
Parents must be NSU Students. Information is available by calling the NSU Head Start office at 357-0888, or at the Office of Community Services at 415 Trudeau Street.

Head Start provides preschool children with a variety of scheduled activities and field trips designed to enhance them as members of the community.

"It is the only preschool program in Natchitoches that is accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children," says Hailey.



Angie Kulaga helps Elijah Bailey with his sculpture at the NSU Head Start center

Two of the classroom teachers hold college degrees in Early Childhood Education while the teaching assistants each have a Child Development Associate's Degree. The center also serves as a learning laboratory for NSU students.

Students who are interesting in earning community service hours are also welcome to volunteer at the center.

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Bonner to attend National Endowment for the Humanities summer institute

Catherine Bonner, an instructor of English at Northwestern State University, has been selected from a national applicant pool to attend a summer institute sponsored by the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Bonner will attend an institute, "Roots: The African Dimension of Early American History and Culture (Through the Transatlantic Slave Trade), to be held in Charlottesville, Va., June 4-29.

The four-week program will be held at the Virginia Foundation for the Humanities and Public Policy. Dr. Joseph C. Miller will direct the institute.

Each of the 25 teachers selected to attend will receive a stipend of $2,800 to cover travel, study and living expenses.

As part of the institute program, participants will visit the Museum of African Art and the new "African Voices" exhibit at the Smithsonian Museum in Washington D.C. They will also visit Colonial Williamsburg, Carter's Grove Plantation in Tidewater, Va. and Monticello, the home of Thomas Jefferson and Sally Hemings.

Those taking part in the institute will have adjunct faculty library privileges at the University of Virginia as well as access to the University's Internet resources for the humanities, some of the most advanced in the world.

Among the topics for the 24 NEH seminars offered for college and university teachers this summer are American Pragmatism, Black Film Studies, Environmental Ethics and the French Revolution. The approximately 400 teachers who participate in the institutes will teach more than 30,000 students the following years.

The NEH is a federal agency that each summer supports seminars and institutes at colleges and universities so teachers can work in collaboration with and study with experts in humanities disciplines.

SGA President Broussard elected to Advisory chair

By Rondray Hill
Editor

SGA President Rusty Broussard was elected the Student Advisory Committee chairperson for the Louisiana Council of Student Body Presidents.

As chairperson, Broussard will serve as a liaison between the Committee and the University of Louisiana system Board of Supervisors.

Broussard said his main goals for the committee are to get the students more involved in the Louisiana educational system and smoothen the communication between the different schools.

"We're going to see what the students want and were going to let the Board of Supervisors know," Broussard said.


Broussard

"One thing we want to do is to waive the out-of-state fees for Texas, Arkansas and Mississippi students," Broussard said. "We also want to continue pushing student representation on University search committees for Deans and higher positions.

The Student Advisory Committee is made of the eight SGA presidents from the UL system. It meets twice monthly to discuss issues involving universities and give suggestions to the board of supervisors.

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Mother, daughter duo graduate during spring commencement

Two of the people who took part in commencement exercises at Northwestern State University have a relationship that started well before they began taking classes at the university. In fact, the two people have trusted and depended on each other from day one.

Anne and Jamie Armbruster, a mother and daughter pair from Anacoco, walked down the aisle together to receive their diplomas. They have been attending NSU together since Jamie graduated from high school. Both Anne and Jamie graduated with a degree in general studies with a minor in history. They are among 641 candidates who will receive degrees Friday.

According to Anne, it was Jamie who encouraged her to pick up where she left off nearly 20 years ago. Though still reluctant, more and more people reassured her that it was never too late to go back to college.

"I was sitting in Sunday School one week and my niece, Angela, encouraged me again. She told me to just look into it, "said Anne. "That was three weeks before the fall semester began, and three weeks later I was registering for classes."

David, Anne's husband is in the history graduate program at NSU. With three family members in college at the same time, they were able to lean on each other and provide help wherever needed. Anne and Jamie were able to ride together and took many of the same classes.

"Having someone to study with made it easier," said Jamie. "But we fought over the computer a lot."

Having three members in school has been quite a family affair. Chance, Jamie's younger brother has pitched in around the house by cooking and doing laundry.

"Even the family pets got in on this. One morning the cat got up with me at 4:30," said Anne. "Of course, she got to sleep all day."

Attending school together has certainly paid off. Both women have made exceptional grades. Anne and Jamie plan to enter NSU's graduate program in history. There will be three members of the family in the program at the same time.

Though Anne and Jamie intend to complete a master's program together. They have different career aspirations. Jaime wants to become a college professor. Anne wants to work in a nonacademic field, possibly in a museum or as a teacher.

It is the feeling of pride the Armbrusters express most when speaking of their mutual achievements.

"I am proud of myself. I didn't do so well the first time around," said Anne. "But I have made the Dean's list every semester and the President's list once. I have maintained that this go around."

"I am more proud of her than I am of myself," said Jamie. "It took a lot of courage to go back.

Changes made to University admissions standards beginning in fall 2001semester

Students who have not yet met the new Northwestern State University admissions standards will still be able to enter NSU as a freshman in the fall.

The new admission standards require freshmen to have graduated from a state approved or recognized accredited high or have a GED. They also require one of three of the following; a 2.5 cumulative high school GPA, a minimum ACT composite score of 18 or SAT composite score of 850, or receive any type of performance related scholarship.

According to Dr. Sue Weaver, Dean of the General College, incoming students who do not meet the new admission standards will be able to enter into one of the two-year programs available at NSU. Those programs include associate degrees in business administration, electronic technology, general studies, nursing, office administration, veterinary technology, and criminal justice.

Students entering the two-year general studies program and intending to pursue a four-year degree in another field will be advised by an academic advisor in their chosen field. When they complete 30 semester credit hours, have a cumulative GPA of 2.0 and complete all required developmental courses, the student can then enter the desired four-degree program.

The General College is working with more than 33 academic advisors, as well as admissions and new student programs staff to ensure an easy transition process and a clear understanding of the requirements to enter these programs.

"These designated faculty advisors have faithfully participated in the monthly workshops and show a sincere desire to help students succeed," said Christie Anderson, Coordinator of Academic Advising. It is their willingness to assume these new responsibilities that will make our transition into a selective admissions university a smooth one."



Get your dreamcoats tailored here



Judy Lawrence makes the Dreamcoat for the Theatre department's running of "Joseph and the amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat"

Photo by Rachael Kidd

NSU Theatre will produce Andrew Lloyd Webber's "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat"

By Missy Dupreast
Sauce Reporter

Scott Burrell is kicking off this summer's dinner theater with "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat," to be performed June 19th through July 1st in A. A. Fredericks Auditorium.

This play by Andrew Lloyd Webber is a musical parable of the Old Testament story of Joseph. Joseph, a boy blessed with prophetic dreams, is sold into slavery by his jealous brothers. Joseph goes through many adventures, and when word of his gift reaches the pharaoh (who has an uncanny resemblance to Elvis Presley) Joseph moves up the ladder.

After many hardships, the brothers unknowingly grovel at the feat of Joseph who they had betrayed but did not recognize.

The play consists of a wide variety of music, such as country-western, calypso, pop, rock and roll, and even rap.

"I love the music," says James Palmer who plays the role of Joseph. "It's a fun way to teach the Biblical stories. You know? Very entertaining. It has a little bit of everything."

Rocky Colavito, playing Jacob, Joseph's father, says, "Joseph is a play that really and truly has something for everybody in it."

Burrell has chosen the following for his cast, Darcy Malone as the narrator; James Palmer as Joseph; Rocky Colavito as Jacob and chorus member; Eric Engelhardt as Reuben, Pharoah, and chorus member; Missy Bizzell as Simeon, "Canaan Days" lead, and chorus member; Joey Trahan as Levi and chorus member; Annie Fackler as Napthali, "Canaan Days" lead, doo-wap girl, and chorus member.

Karen Burns and Jessica Marasco are lead singers for "One More Angel" and "Benjamin Calypso," respectively, and members of the chorus. Chrissy Wright is the choreographer.

Although Burrell does not yet know what will be served he is certain that, "it will be Biblical type food. It fits the atmosphere and environment of the show."

"Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" will debut June 19th in A. A. Fredericks Auditorium. Tickets can be picked up at the theater office for $16, which includes dinner and the show. For further information, call 357-6891.

It's a show fit for the entire family," says Burrell.

Natchitoches singer Trini Triggs slated to appear at Folk Life Festival

Trini Triggs, country artist and Natchitoches resident, headlines the Friday evening performance of the 22nd annual Natchitoches Folk Festival.

The festival will be held at Prather Coliseum on July 20 and 21. Tickets are $7 for an all-event day pass and $5 for an evening-only pass. Passes for children ages 7-12 are $3 and children under 6 and under get in free.

Discount passes are available up to the day of the festival.

Since 1980, the Natchitoches/NSU Folk Festival has highlighted Louisiana's many cultural influences, from Cajun to Native American. This year, the spotlight turns to the influence of African-American culture on the state.

"The festival's purpose is to bring together a wide variety of folk traditions which illustrate the diversity of Louisiana's heritage," said Dr. Lisa Abney, director of the NSU Folklife Center. "Our state has some of the richest African-American traditions in the country. This year's festival lineup will showcase just how rich those traditions are."

More than 20 music acts, including blues musician YZ Ealey, will take the stage during the course of the festival. Narrative sessions featuring experts in the fields of music, education, folktales, holiday traditions and healing traditions are scheduled also.



Triggs

"Narrative sessions allow presenters and audience members to have an opportunity to discuss many aspects of folk traditions," Abney said. "Providing visitors with information regarding cultural context for these activities has become one of our major goals."

Costume makers from New Orleans will highlight KidFest events. Other events for children include spoon races, egg toss, jump rope and hand-clap games. Both children and adults can participate in domino tournaments to be during the festival.

Britney Spears ventures into the video game world

Playstation 2 to feature the singer's interactive DVD

Pop princess Britney Spears is making her first foray into the video game world, adding a high-tech venture to a career that already spans music, publishing, dolls, an advertising deal with Pepsi-Cola and her first movie.

California immersive technology company Enroute Inc. announced on Thursday it was developing an interactive video DVD called ``Experience Britney'' for use on a range of video game consoles.

Enroute Inc. co-founder Paul Cha said the DVD would use 360 degree FirstPerson technology containing footage of Spears' latest world concert tour that allows users to control where and what to watch on a wrap-around landscape. It will also allow fans to go backstage and will include games.

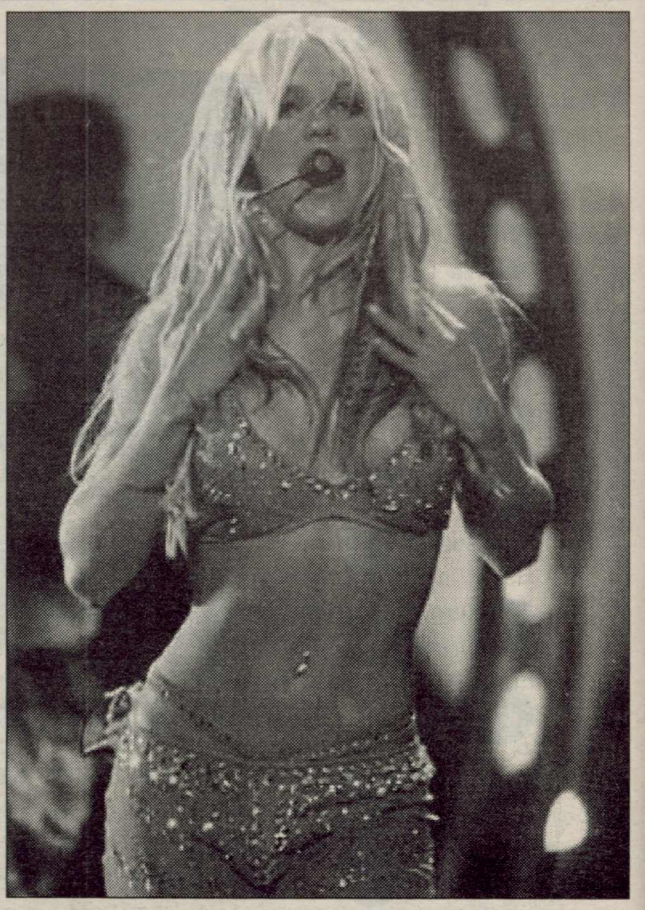
Immersive technology, in the case of Spears, would involve her being recorded at a concert from all angles on a 360 degree plain.

Using controls, the viewer could go behind Spears to watch the audience reaction, or watch the singer from the side.

"Experience Britney gives you the best seat in the house at a Britney Spears concert," Cha told a news conference at the annual video game trade show, the Electronic Entertainment Expo, or E3.

Spears, 19, who is currently shooting her first movie, said in a statement she was ``really excited to be the first artist to use Enroute's FirstPerson technology. It's a great new way of watching a concert.''

The interactive DVD is expected to hit stores by the end of the year.



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X-Files, minus Duchovny, back for a ninth season

David Duchovny is leaving the X-Files after this season, Fox network's top executive said on Thursday.

The network confirmed that the show would be brought back in the fall for its ninth season.

``I guess he thinks it's time to get on with his life,'' Sandy Grushow, president of Fox Television Entertainment Group, said of Duchovny, who plays the alien-hunting FBI agent Fox Mulder.

He added that co-star Gillian Anderson is contracted to appear in each episode of the 2001-2002 season.

The show's creator, Chris Carter, will also return to the show, but his exact role has not been decided, Grushow said.

Carter's second show, ``The Lone Gunman,'' has been canceled.

Grushow made his remarks on Thursday in conjunction with the release of Fox's fall schedule, as advertisers convene here for a week of meetings known as the TV upfront, in which networks promote their new shows to advertisers and try to sell as much as 80 percent of their advertising time.

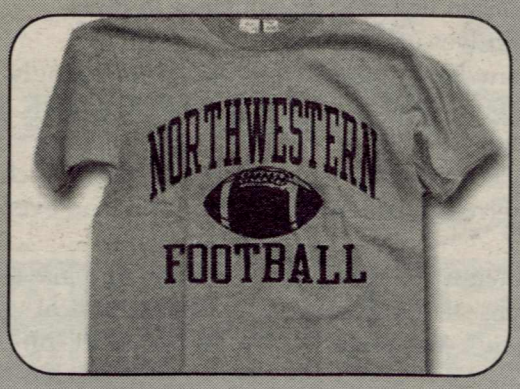
Fox's hit show ``Ally McBeal (news - Y! TV)'' will return to the Monday 9 p.m. slot, though Grushow said that Robert Downey Jr. (news - web sites), who has been in and out of jail, drug rehabilitation centers and courtrooms, will be written out of the show.

The network, which is a unit of News Corp., also confirmed it is moving its drama ``Dark Angel,'' created by ``Titanic'' director James Cameron, to Friday at 8 p.m. from Tuesday at 9 p.m.

Fox is adding three new comedies and two new dramas to its schedule.

``Undeclared,'' a half-hour comedy about a boy's first year in college, is planned for Tuesday at 8:30 p.m., following ``That '70s Show.''

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Report: NSU lags in female athletic opportunities

By Rondray Hill
Editor

A report in the May 18 edition of *The Chronicle of Higher Education* suggests that females on the NSU campus are underrepresented when it comes to athletic options.

The report said that the campus has a female population of 62 percent, but only 34 percent of athletes are females.

The study also states that women's budget for scholarships was cut from nearly $600,000 in 1998-99 to nearly $200,000 in 1999-2000.

Athletic Director Greg Burke disputes the findings, saying that the numbers just don't add up.

"Our total scholarships budget is near $1 million dollars including football," Burke said. "When you add the numbers up, it makes me think that they have inacurate facts."

Burke also said that the proportionality issue is out of the range of the Athletic Department.

"NSU has had record enrollment over the past two years," Burke said. "I'd like to be in proportion with 63 percent of the population, but we try instead to improve the quality of our women's program for those who are here."

"I don't think proportionality should be as much of an issue as how you make your women's program better," Burke said. "We've made a noticeable financial commitment to our women's sports.

The Report

Here s how *The Chronicle of Higher Education* rated NSU in terms female population on campus versus number of female athletes.

NSU Campus
Number of Females-- 3,907 (62.3%)

Female Athletes-- 140
Out of total athletes (34.7%)

Difference-- -27.6%

Southland Conference may change tournament format

Staff Reports

The Southland Conference will discuss the future format of the conference basketball tournament at next week's annual meeting in Shreveport.

At stake will be the event's possible departure of the CenturyTel Center in Bossier CIty, home of last year's semi-finals and finals.

The new proposal would have a five-team championship tournament, with the regular-season champion hosting the championship game on their home floor. The four other teams would play each other in a single elimination tournament.

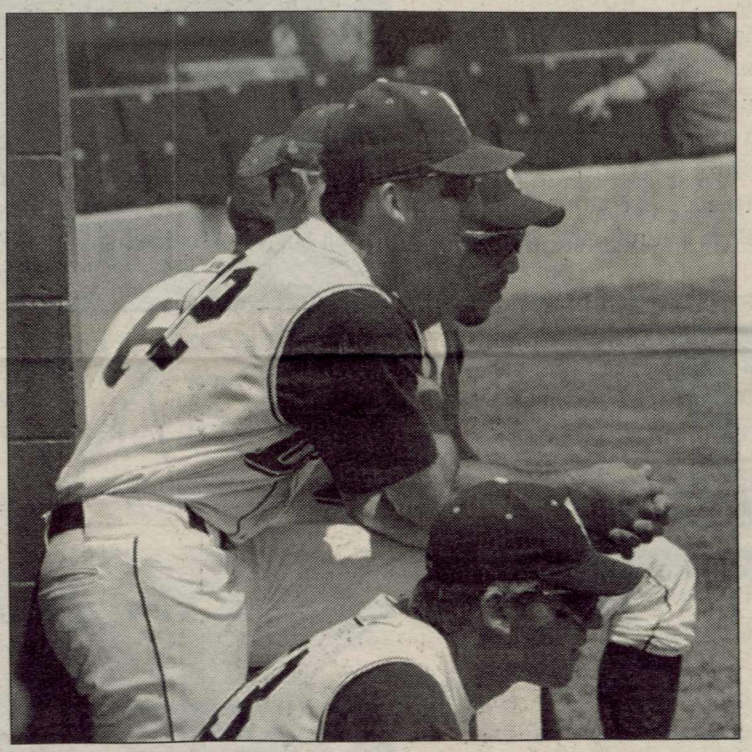
Conceivably, this format is designed to give the regular season champion a better shot at representing the conference in the NCAA tournament and receiving a higher seed. In the last two seasons, the No. 6 seeded team won the conference tournament and received No.16 seeds.

"I think the majority of the conference is leaning

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Voted off the Island

Demons get snubbed by the NCAA committee, ends season at 38-17



The Demons can only watch the NCAA tournament from home since they were denied an at-large bid Monday.

Photo by Gary Hardamon

Staff Reports

The NCAA baseball selection committee tried its best Anne Robinson impression.

They told the Demons... *Goodbye.*

Despite a 38-17 record and a Southland conference championship, the Demons did not make the 64-team championship tournament field, announced Monday.

"It was a really good season, but this is frustrating," said Demon pitcher Zach Sanches. "We beat LSU, Arkansas, and nearly swept every team in our conference."

The Demons' two straight losses in the conference tournament weighed the most in the minds of the selection committee according to baseball chairman Wally Groff. Groff also said the Demons' strength of schedule played a big part in their denial.

"We can schedule a hard schedule like Houston (Cougars) did," outfielder Jordan Robison said. "But if we lost as many games as they did, we still wouldn't have gotten in."

Cohen blames Demons' snub on big-school politics, not records

By Rondray Hill
Editor

For Demon head coach John Cohen, the writing was clearly on the wall.

His 38-17 Demons weren't snubbed by the selection committee because of their two losses against Centenary.

It wasn't because his team went 0-2 in the conference tournament.

To Cohen, it all boils down to one thing...

Politics.



Cohen

"I'd put us up against any team in the Big Ten," Cohen said. "But, since our school doesn't have 90,000-plus football stadiums or big-time connections, we didn't get in."

Cohen is frustrated because teams in larger conferences with worse records somehow got in while his Demons will be watching the tournament at home.

Consider the selection of the Houston Cougars, a selection that drew criticism from many of the bubble teams. The committee justified that the Cougars, despite going 29-27, gained entry because they played a tougher schedule than NSU.

Cohen doesn't buy that.

"They lost 27 Division I baseball games. But because they have big football connections, their name is more recognized," Cohen said. "Meanwhile, we ran away with our conference title. Our conference was the few ones in which every team defeated a Top 25 program."

And while Cohen says he realizes the best solution would have been to take care of business in the conference tournament, he and his players think they should be playing on friday.

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Tournament debate to be decided

towards the five-team format," Athletic Director Greg Burke said. "From the conference's viewpoint, trying to not have a No.16 seed every year may mean having to do something different."

The current format has the top eight teams playing each other, with the top four teams hosting first round games. The winners play at the CenturyTel Center in Bossier City.

In the past three seasons, the top seeds in the tournament have not advanced to the NCAA tournament.

"If you're Sam Houston or McNeese, you say 'we earned the regular season title, we should be the host of the tournament," Burke said.

Lady Demon assistant coach to leave Friday

Staff Reports

The NSU Athletic Department will host a reception honoring Lady Demon basketball assistant coach Wendy Schuller.

The reception will be this Friday at 10 a.m. in the Stroud Room at the Fieldhouse.

Schuller, an assistant for nine years at NSU, leaves the school to become the head women's basketball coach at Eastern Washington University.

"This was a really tough decision," Schuller said. "NSU has been my home for nearly a third of my life. I love our team and I love this community."

Schuller's last day at NSU is Friday. She is moving to Washington over the weekend.

"I want to go up there and get a chance to meet some of the players and to settle in," Schuller said. "When an opportunity like this comes up, you have to take it."

"I can only hope that I get a fraction of support we got here at NSU when I get there. This is a great community that really supports this team," Schuller said.

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Demons say they'll regroup

"We didn't play our best ball, but everybody loses in baseball," said Senior Jordan Robison.

"We lost to Centenary, but Centenary beat Nebraska, and they're a top seed. I think you gotta win ball games, and we did this year."

Cohen and the Demons say that being left out of the tournament won't dimished this season, but it will serve as extra motivation for next year.

"This will give us even more drive to get in next year," said junior Zach Sanches.

"We had one of the best years ever in the Southland conference and we have a great club coming back," Cohen said. "This doesn't diminish anything.



The Demons blame "big-school" biases as the reason they were left out of the tournament.

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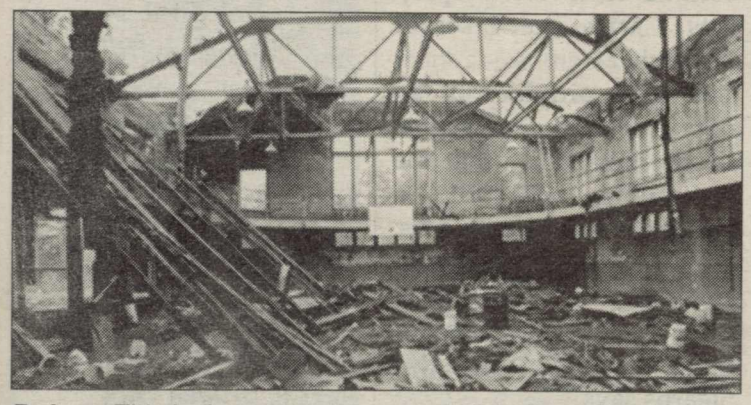
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Before: This is the women's gym in 1998 after a fire gutted the building.

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After: This is the building now after a 2.7 million dollar restoration project that was recently completed

Construction completed, Women's old gym now houses National Preservation Center

by Jennifer Bocanegra
Sauce Reporter

Northwestern State University's former Women's Gym, now known as Lee H. Nelson Hall, has become the new home for the National Park Service's National Center for Preservation Technology and Training.

Dr. Robert D. Stearns, executive director of the National Park Service's National Center for Preservation Technology and Training, says that when the NCPTT first began in 1994, it was placed in temporary quarters in South Hall on the Northwestern Campus.

In 1995, plans were made with Wayne Lawrence Coco AIA Architect Company to restore the former Women's Gymnasium, located at 645 College Ave, for use by the National Park Service.

The gym was originally built in 1923 and is the oldest building on the NSU

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LSU-Alexandria will officially become a four-year institution. How will that affect NSU? Will these effects, if any, be positive? And where do NSU officials stand on this hot topic. Sauce reporter Raymond Willams has the story, and tells us...

WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?

by Raymond Williams
Sauce Reporter

LSU-A moves closer to becoming a four-year degree institution, causing mixed emotions on campus.

According to LSU-A's website, the House of Representatives passed Senate Bill 853 on June 5 with a vote over the 2/3s majority needed. This bill recognizes LSU-A as a four-year institution. Now the bill only needs Governor Mike Foster's signature to conclude the initial step of this lengthy process.

University President Randall Webb said, because the matter went before the legislature and was passed, it is a decision that must be respected. However, he did express worry about the issue.

"I am concerned about the potential adverse impact on NSU's enrollment, the impact on our financial situation and that of all institutions in the state because we're all severely under funded," Webb said.

Webb also addressed concerns about the possible duplication of NSU's degree programs.

However, the extent of LSU-A's impact on NSU will not be known until the Louisiana Board of Regents and the LSU Board of Supervisors approve which degree programs LSU-A will be allowed to offer. In addition, the standards for admission at LSU-A have not been determined and LSU-A is still seeking approval from the Southern Association for Colleges and Schools to offer four year degrees.

Webb said LSU-A will only offer a limited number of four year degrees and that it will take time for those programs to be accredited. "Northwestern is already providing a number of programs in Alexandria and could offer others if the Board of Regents determines there is a need," he said.

University graduate student Jay McKinney expressed concerns about LSU-A's ability to entice area students to stay in there home towns rather than attend NSU..

"I think it [LSU-A] will hurt the enrollment here because it's more of a convenience to stay in a comfort zone," McKinney said.

McKinney, an Alexandria native, said if LSU-A was a four-year institution when he began college, he would have still attended NSU.

"The only thing that would've hindered that decision is if LSU-A had the

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Historic Natchitoches buildings will be studied this summer

The Natchitoches and Cane River will be able to benefit from the oldest federal preservation program.

A five-person team will be working in the Natchitoches area this summer to document several local historic sites as part of the Historic American Buildings Survey (HABS).

The program is funded by the National Park Service. The team consists of Edward Pillsbury of Morristown, N.J., Jon Wilson of Oxford, Miss., Maciej Gruzecski of Lodz, Poland and Kati Maksay of Cluj, Romania. Caroline Wright of Austin, Texas will head the team. Gruzecski and Maksay were placed in the program through the International Council on Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS).

Over a 12-week period, the group will complete measured drawings and short historical reports on architectural and cultural traditions. Plans are to work at the old Train Depot in Natchitoches and at Oakland Plantation as well as additional sites. The measured drawings are architectural blueprints. The original drawing will be given to the Library of Congress and a copy of the drawing will be available locally.

"I am excited about what this team of young professionals will be able to accomplish," said Paul Dolinsky, chief of HABS with the National Park Service. "We will cut a broad swath through the Cane River Heritage Area. You cannot plan for the future without knowing the history."

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Building will be used for research projects

Campus. It will be named after Lee H. Nelson, a pioneer in the field of historic preservation technology and a career employee of the National Park Service.

Wayne Coco, president of Coco Company, says that the completed project took six years and acquired a cost of 2.7 million dollars.

There were several setbacks during the restoration process to include a large fire caused by led paint abatement in November 1997. A year and a half after the fire, Coco Company began the restoration work once more. They experienced another small fire in the fall of 2000 caused by a welding spark that fell into a window sill.

In the spring of 2000, they were able to finally complete the project.

" It was the most challenging project. We have had many setbacks but through the hard work and perseverance of many people, we were able to finish. We are delighted with the finished work," Coco says.

Stearns says now that Nelson Hall is finished; the NCPTT plans to use the building for research projects and community activities. The building contains computer training systems and an open gym space for community meetings and larger gatherings.

Internships will be available to NSU students and faculty. NCPTT has made agreements with local Louisiana schools, to make their computer labs available and the ability to conduct basic research projects with a senior researcher.

"It will provide us an opportunity to reciprocate on the hospitality that the community and NSU in particular has provided us. We now have a community space that we are willing to give access to the community and to the university," Stearns says.

Stearns says that the NCPTT plans to hold a formal dedication and open house for Nelson Hall on November 6th. On November 7th, a symposium will be held by the National Center on the Role of Technology and Training in the Preservation of Historic Resources.

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Webb: "We will protect the interests of NSU"

same or better program than NSU," McKinney said.

Addressing the university's current position, Webb said NSU will continue to participate in any way deemed acceptable by the Board of Regents to meet the postsecondary needs of central Louisiana's residents.

"If that means providing graduate, baccalaureate or associate degree programs at the University Center at England Airport or electronic distance learning courses at other sites, Northwestern is prepared to do that," Webb said.

Still, he did not deny fighting against LSU-A's approval nor did he discuss any specifics of the fight but he did make one final statement about the issue.

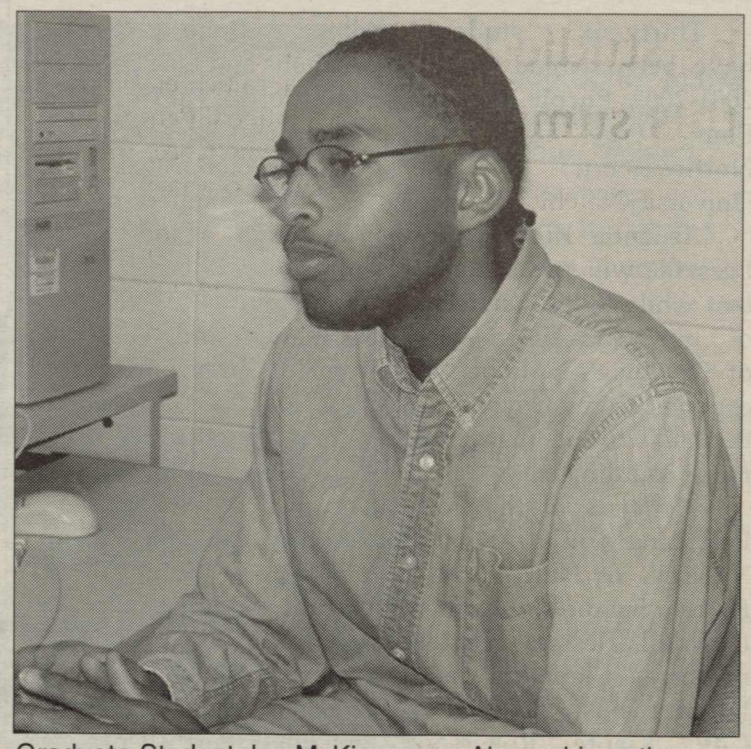
"We want to do the best we can to protect the interests of NSU," Webb said.

The Plan

LSUA will begin offering four-year degrees in elementary education, business, general studies, biology, psychology, accounting and computer science by Fall 2002. This plan is pending on the approval of LSU Board of Supervisors and the Louisiana Board of Regents.

" Establishing another university in this area could obviously affect NSU's future enrollment and funding from tuition and other enrollment-generated income."

Dr. Randy Webb
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Graduate Student Jay McKinney, an Alexandria native, thinks enrollment at NSU may suffer.

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New pom-pon line members chosen for 2001-2002

Thirty-six students have been named to the 2001-2002 Purple Pizzazz Pom Pon Line at Northwestern State University.

Ashantia Roberson of Leesville will serve as captain while Kellie Landeche of Luling and Alison Clary of Opelousas will be co-captains. Corey Devillier of Bunkie will be the fund-raiser coordinator.

Members of the Pom Pon Line will be Kristin Maricelli of Natchitoches, Katie Samuels, Linnea Dowdall, Jessica Carter, Brittany Bennett and Jennifer East of Bossier City, Kiante Roberson, Leslie Schwartz, Danielle Mitchell and Megan Sandlin of Baton Rouge.

Also named were: Ashley Aderhold of Alexandria, Joanie Williams and Jennifer Brown of Monroe, Amanda Braxton of Kinder, Kendra Campbell of Abbeville, Aimee Bobo, Kenda Bockhaus and Lisa Davis of Haughton and Kelli Stewart and Raegan Rivers of Greenwell Springs.

Others named to the Pom Pon Line were Jimmeka Barnes of Greenwood, Naomi Robinson and Essence Payne of Shreveport, Sarah Maxwell of Winnfield, Lauren O'Kelly of Pineville, April Norwood of Zachary, Dorothea Wilson of Marrero, Leigh Ann Modisette of Lufkin, Texas, Megan Boudreaux of Sulphur, Andrea Creamer of Campti, Chloe Holloway of Fort Polk and Brittany Baucum of Port Allen.

The Pom Pon line serves as a spirit hostess group, assisting the NSU cheerleaders in promoting spirit during Demon athletic functions. This squad performs side-line cheers, chants and pom-dance style routines during football and basketball games.

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Know of any good movies?



Photographer Mark Mills takes his daughter Jailee to the Parkway Cinema to catch a matinee. If you're not sure on what to see this summer, let the Current Sauce help you out.

Photo by Jennifer Bocanegra

NSU students give their picks on what to see, and what not to see, at the theaters this summer

by Jennifer Bocanegra
Sauce Reporter

This summer's hot movies according to Northwestern State University Students and 2000showbiz.com are "Pearl Harbor", "Moulin Rouge", What's the Worst That Could Happen", and "The Mummy Returns".

"Pearl Harbor" by Touchstone pictures, stars Alec Baldwin, Josh Hartnett, Ben Affleck, and Cube Gooding Jr. This action-drama retells the events that took place and led up to the Japanese attack on the United States naval base in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. It is rated PG-13 with intense war sequences and images of wounded.

"Moulin Rouge" by 20th Century Fox, stars John Leguizamo, Nicole Kidman, Ewan McGregor, Jim Broadbent, and Carol O'Conner. This musical drama tells the story of a young writer who defies his father and joins the underworld of Montmartre, Paris. He is taken in with the excitement of the party life at the Moulin Rouge and falls in love with the most beautiful courtesan in Paris who also happens to be the star of the Moulin Rouge. The rating for this film is also PG-13 for sexual content.

Martin Lawrence's new movie, " What's the Worst That Could Happen" was highly recommended by several NSU students. It stars William Fichtner, Bernie Mac, Danny Devito, Nora Dunn, and Martin Lawrence. This comedy by MGM tells the story of a professional thief who gets busted robbing a sleazy billionaire. During the bust, the billionaire decides to rob the thief back as payback. The rest of the movie is a hilarious contest of wills to see how far each man will go in pursuit of a stolen item. This movie is rated PG-13 for language and sexual content.

"The Mummy Returns" by Universal Pictures. This sequel stars Rachel Weisz, Brendan Fraser, Oded Fehr, Patricia Velazquez, and "The Rock". The stars from the original "Mummy" must go up against the evil mummy Imhotep when he reappears in the British Museum. The twist to the film occurs when another darker and more powerful force is set loose into the world. As the two forces clash, it is up to the O'Connells to save the day. This horror, action, thriller film is rated PG-13 for adventure action and violence.

KNWD phone line problems nearly fixed, "days away" from going back on the air

by Rondray Hill
Editor

KNWD, the student radio station of NSU, may back back on the air in a little less than a week.

This according to assistant general manager Juice Pinney. He said that the radio station, which has been off the air since April, could have the problem fixed by early next week.

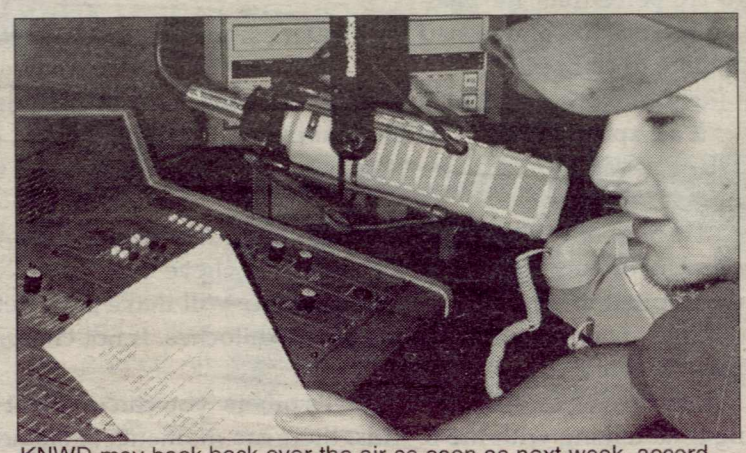
The problem, Pinney said, was due to a cut telephone line before Easter.

"We went to everyone who had a President or Vice President in front of their name and complained about this," Pinney said.

"There will be an extra line from the stadium press box to the radio station. Right now, music can be heard from the radio station, but only from one channel. But that should be fixed soon."

Once the problems with the phone lines have been fixed, Pinney said the radio station will operate as it normally does, playing music 24-hours a day on 91.7 FM.

"President Webb assured me that it would be done as soon as possible," Pinney said. "We've been giving him daily updates, and things should be finished really soon"



KNWD may back back over the air as soon as next week, according to management.

Photo by Rachael Kidd



The seven contestants in the Miss Louisiana pageant from NSU are, from back left, Casey Jo Crowder, Amber Rhyne, Lakesha Harris, Kimberly Jones, and from front, Sabrina Plaisance, Kristen Holley and Lacey Fletcher.

Photo By Gary Hardamon

NSU QUEENS TAKE ON THE STATE THIS WEEKEND

Seven of NSUs finest will take the stage this weekend for their chance at being the next Miss Louisiana

By Heather Patton
Sauce Reporter

The Miss Louisiana Pageant will be this Saturday at 8 p.m. in Monroe, La. Seven contestants out of 30 are students of the University.

Susanna Deshotel, assistant director of student activities, said although their main concern is Miss Northwestern Lady of the Bracelet, the Student Activities Board supports all of the University's contestants.

"We have informal discussions to help them get a grasp of the interview process," Deshotel said. "This is to help them know what's going on in the world, to articulate that and have an opinion. Anything the contestants ask for, we try to help with. We did three mock interviews for Kristen with the faculty."

Deshotel stressed the importance of practicing interviews. The interviews are the first time the contestants will see the judges one-on-one. It is a 12-minute interview and counts for 30 percent of their total score. Doing well in these interviews is a must.

"The girls don't know what the judges will be asking, so it's good for them to get this practice now," Deshotel said.

Deshotel also commends the talent of the contestants from the University. Most have talent coaches, from singing to baton twirling. Deshotel said this showcases the quality of instruction at the University because the contestants learn from the University.

"These girls are in choir, orchestra, theater, twirling with the band," Deshotel said, "so it's a good example of the quality of the fine arts department on campus."

Sabrina Plaisance's talent is singing "I'm Afraid This Must Be Love," by Linda Eder. Plaisance said the two main reasons she got into pageants were for the scholarship opportunities as well as to perform in front of others.

"These scholarships have paid for my college degree," Plaisance said. "Being in the pageants also helps me to have an opportunity to meet people, perform and have confidence in myself. I was honored when I was chosen Miss Crescent City. It was also another chance for me to apply to the Miss Louisiana Pageant. This is my last year to compete. I want the title, but I also know there is one person out of 30 that will get it. If it's not me, I'll still go 110 percent for the year."

Plaisance has auditioned for theater companies and has offers from five across the country. She thanks the SAB and the University in helping her to prepare to compete.

Kristen Holley's talent is singing "At Your Feet" by Natalie Grant.

"It's a spiritual piece," Holley said.

Holley said going to the Miss Louisiana Pageant was not her main goal. Holley stated she did Miss LOB for the scholarship and to challenge herself.

"Throughout this pageant I've had unlimited personal growth," Holley said. "I've never thought I would be in this pageant. This has solidified my morals and how to communicate what I believe in to others. My goals and ambitions have changed and I'll take what I've learned from this pageant and apply it to education. This experience will make me a better teacher. I can talk to anyone and I want to know others and what they believe in."

Holley is involved in K-Kids of Natchitoches. If not chosen for Miss Louisiana, she will continue to work with them as well as the Boys and Girls Club of Natchitoches.

"I want to be an advocate and tells others 'you can do it'," Holley said. "There's so much opportunity to be the best person you can be. When spending time talking with the K-Kids, there are moments of silence when I know something is going on in their minds. I can tell they're listening and I'm making a difference. If I can be a good Christian example then I feel I'm staying true to myself. I feel if I can leave this and look in the mirror and say 'I'm happy', then it's been a success. I hope I'm someone my parents are proud of."

Robison, DeSalme drafted by Cardinals, Brewers in MLB draft

A year ago, Northwestern State outfielder Jordan Robison was stunned when he was not drafted after an impressive junior season.

The surprise this year was much more pleasant.

After posting All-America caliber numbers in his senior season, Robison was chosen by the St. Louis Cardinals in the 14th round of the major league baseball summer amateur baseball draft.

Teammate Gene DeSalme, a left-handed junior pitcher, was chosen in the 16th round by the Milwaukee Brewers. DeSalme, who carried a 4.0 grade point average in the fall semester, gave Northwestern the first two Southland Conference players selected.

"I've got goosebumps, I'm so excited," said Robison, who was also announced Tuesday as a first-team All-South Central Region selection for the second straight year. "I can't even begin to express how great I feel. Holy moley, this is awesome.

"There's so much relief after last year. It was a tremendous disappointment and to go from that low to this high is beyond my comprehension," he said. "There are so many people, coaches and teammates and people around here, that I want to hug and thank for their support."

Robison batted .372 with 13 home runs, 56 RBI and 20 stolen bases while leading the Demons, 38-17, to the Southland Conference championship. The Iona, Idaho native capped his two-year Demon career ranked in nine of 15 career top 10s in the NSU record book.

"Jordan is a five-tool player who has been incredibly productive in his two seasons with us," said fourth-year Demon coach John Cohen, a former

Minnesota Twins draft pick as an outfielder. "It's very gratifying to see him picked early in the draft which indicates how highly regarded he was by the pro scouts."

The all-region honor qualifies Robison for consideration for the American Baseball Coaches Association All-America team. He was a two-time all-conference first-team pick who was runner-up by one vote for the SLC Player of the Year award this season.

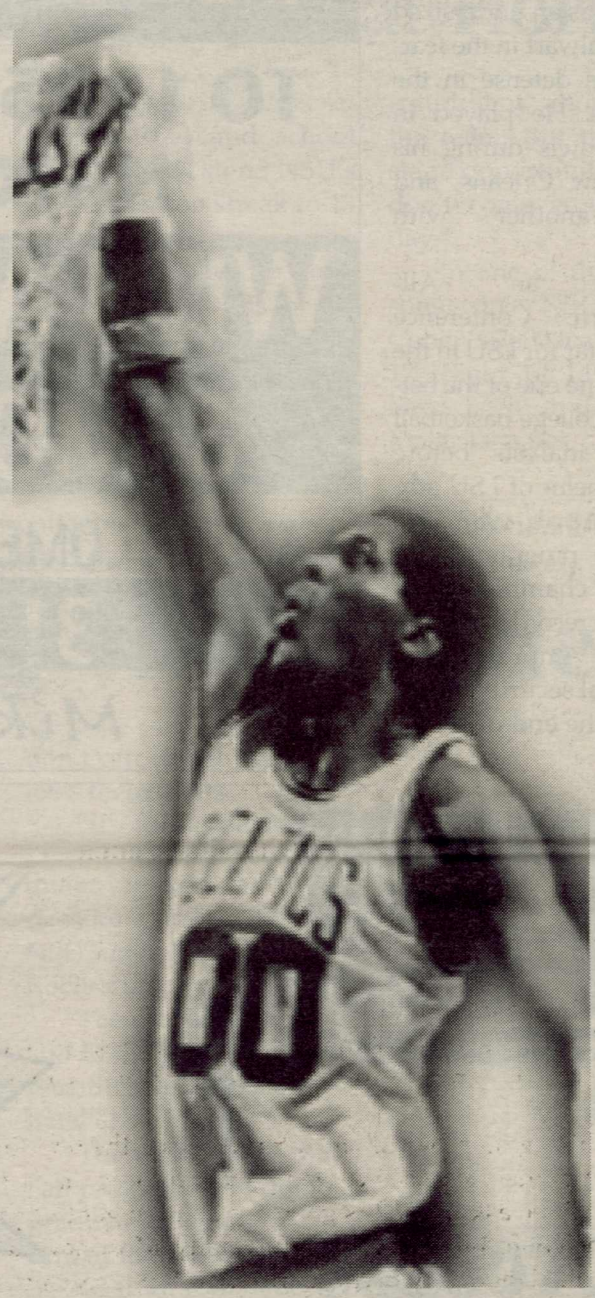
"Jordan has a great combination of speed, power and baseball savvy," said Cohen. "We're proud of what he accomplished in our program and we know he has a future in professional baseball.

"Gene is a tall (6-5), strong-armed young man who has a lot of upside," said Cohen. "He's an extremely bright guy with plans to attend law school, and we hope the opportunity of combining another year of college baseball with the chance to complete his undergraduate work will bring him back to our team for his senior season."

DeSalme was also chosen in the 16th round by the New York Mets two years ago after his freshman season at Meremac Community College. He was 1-0 with a 3.54 ERA in 20.1 innings while making eight appearances, including four starts, and striking out 18 this year for the Demons.

The best of the best

Seven of the state's best will enter the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame



Former Celtics forward Robert Parish will take part in a reception here on NSU's campus next friday.

Photo courtesy of the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame

Some of the top figures in state sports history will be on hand during the 2001 Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame Induction Celebration June 23-26 in Shreveport, Bossier City and Natchitoches as seven new members are enshrined in the Hall of Fame.

Shreveport native Robert Parish, named to the NBA's 50th Anniversary All-Time Team, headlines the seven-member 2001 induction class, joining five-time All-Pro New Orleans Saints linebacker Sam Mills and two LSU sports heroes, retired director of athletics Joe Dean and football great A.J. Duhe.

Also elected to the Hall of Fame were Lin Gamble, a DeSoto Parish native who starred for the USA in women's basketball in the early 1970s, along with high school football coaching legends Charlie Brown and Chick Childress. They were elected earlier this year by a 27-member Louisiana Sports Writers Association committee.

They will be among the celebrities taking part in the Hall of Fame Induction Celebration, which kicks off at the Hall of Fame in Prather Coliseum in Natchitoches with a Saturday Night Festival June 23 helping benefit the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

The inductees will be introduced and sign autographs during the event, which will also feature entertainment provided by one of North Louisiana's most popular bands, Johnny Earthquake and the Moondogs.

Tickets for the event are $5 per cou-

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Southland conference votes for new tournament format; AD's vote to move finals from CenturyTel center

by Rondray Hill
Editor

The Southland conference basketball tournaments will no longer be played at a neutral site as the conference Athletic Directors approved a new format at their annual meetings in Shreveport early this month.

The new formant will have the top six teams play in a single-elimination tournament with the top two teams receiveing a first round bye. The semifinal rounds will be played at the home of the team with the highest seed and the finals will be played at the highest seeded team's home court.



The Demons won their first, and last, conference title in the CenturyTel center after the conference's decision.

Photo by Gary Hardamon

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Hall of fame inductees

ple and will be on sale at the door or in advance by calling 357-6467. Dutch-treat suppers, food portions and refreshments will be on sale at the festival, which begins at 7 p.m. in the air-conditioned coliseum on the Northwestern State University campus.

Parish, who earned All-America honors at Woodlawn High School and Centenary College in his hometown, was a nine-time NBA All-Star center with the Boston Celtics. "The Chief" teamed with Larry Bird and Kevin McHale to form perhaps the most formidable frontcourt in basketball history as they led Boston win three world titles, and in the twilight of his remarkable 21-season pro career, Parish helped Michael Jordan's Chicago Bulls win another NBA championship.

Mills was an undersized (5-9, 225) stalwart in the fearsome Saints defense in the early 1990s. He played in four Pro Bowls during his stay in New Orleans, and reached another with Carolina.

Dean, an All-Southeastern Conference basketball star for LSU in the 1950s, became one of the better known college basketball television analysts before taking the helm of LSU athletics in April 1987. He steered the program to 21 national championships, attendance records, sweeping facility improvements and financial security before retiring at the end of 2000.

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Baseball coach Cohen takes job at Florida

by Josh Beavers
Sauce reporter

Demon head coach John Cohen accepted an offer to become the head assistant coach at the University of Florida.

"By the time the negotiations were finished, they basically gave me an offer I couldn't refuse," Cohen said.

He's the third head coach to leave the program in the last 10 years. He will work under his former coach at the Mississippi State, Pat McMahon.

Cohen won two conference championships in his four years at NSU, picking up 146 wins. His teams set 18 individual and school records while extend NSU's winning season streak to 13 consecutive seasons.

He also played a large part in getting funds for the expansion and renovations to Brown-Stroud field.

"It was a difficult decision," Cohen said. "I felt fraudulent about leaving the team. But they understand opportunities like this don't come around everyday."

In one of the best seasons in NSU history, Cohen's 2000 team went 38-17. Eight of his players have been drafted to the Major Leagues.

Cohen file



Three years at NSU

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Eight players drafted to MLB

NSU starts no smoking policy for faculty

Northwestern State University has strengthened its smoking policy to better protect its employees in the workplace, according to NSU President Dr. Randall J. Webb.

NSU has prohibited smoking in all university facilities including athletic facilities. The policy also extends to university vehicles.

"This policy is part of our dedication to providing a safe, healthy and comfortable environment for Northwestern's students, faculty, staff and guests," said Webb.

"Numerous studies have shown the danger of secondhand smoke to non smokers. We hope those in the university community will pursue the implementation of this policy in a manner which is considerate of all involved."

The new policy

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A new report suggests that college athletics have sacrificed education for wins. We asked NSU athletic officials if they think their programs are

Making the Grade?

by Rondray Hill
Editor

"The problems with big-time college sports have grown rather than diminished. The most glaring problems – academic transgressions, a financial arms race, and commercialization – are all evidence of the widening chasm between higher education's ideas and big-time college sports."

This was a quote from the text of the Knight Foundation Commission on Inter Collegiate Athletics' report on the state of college sports.

Titled, "A Call to Arms," the report goes on to highlight what it believes is the problem with today's college sports – low graduation rates, gambling on games, and donations from alumni members who really don't care about the athletes themselves.

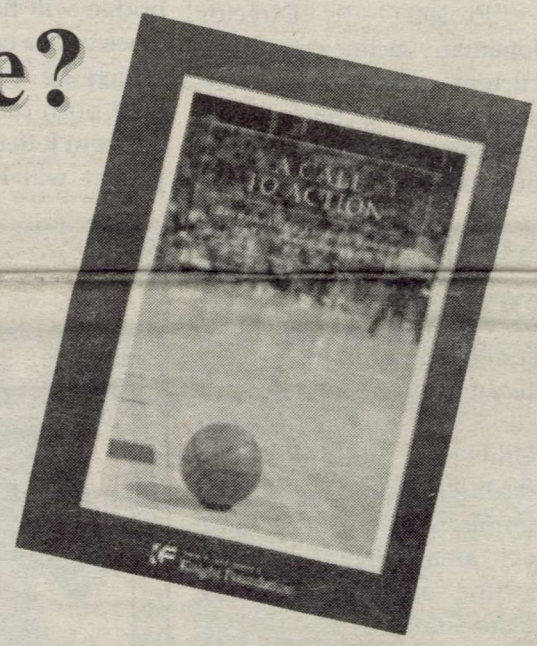
"It's funny, people rarely talk about the good things big-time sports does for a university," NSU football coach Steve Roberts said.

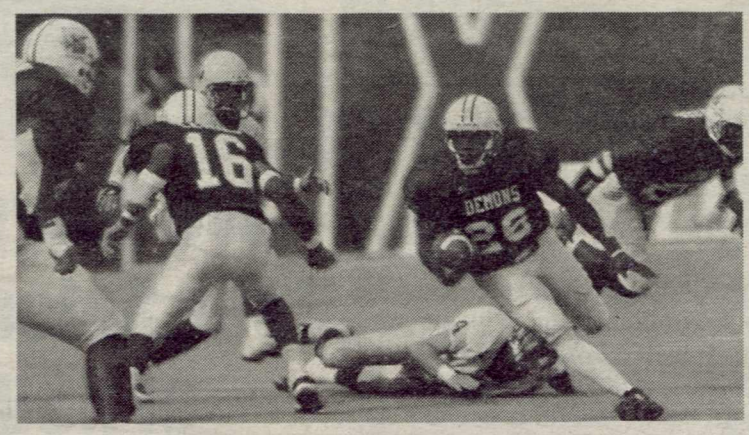
The charges are harsh and to the point. The remedies may even be harsher.

The report states that "all programs that do not graduate at least 50 percent of their players be barred from conference championships or post season play." They also suggest prohibiting athletes from wearing corporate logos on uniforms.

And the report seems to take a shot at collegiate football and basketball, citing these two sports as the source of many of the problems.

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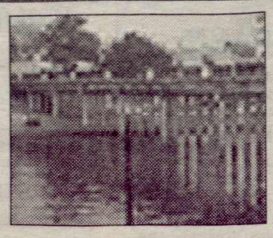
An independent commission on college sports said that collegiate athletics is becoming too much like its professional counterparts

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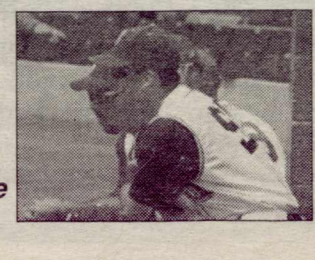
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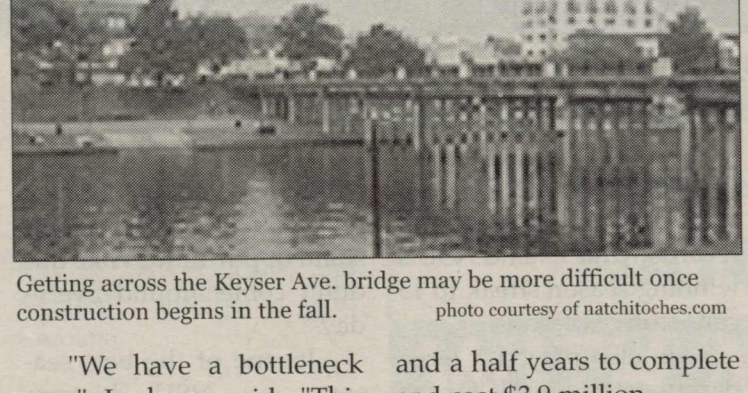
Construction looms on Keyser Ave. Bridge

by Josh Beavers
Sauce reporter

In Natchitoches, the long hot days of summer may be leading to fall, but they are also leading to potential traffic problems as construction will begin to replace the Keyser Avenue bridge.

The construction is the final phase of a project that has been on hold for almost two years. Previously, work was completed on an expansion of a one-mile stretch of Keyser Avenue from Highway 1 east to the city limits. The former two-lane street is now five lanes.

Project Director Jonathan Lachney said the current phase of the construction is to remedy the problem the wider thoroughfare creates.



Getting across the Keyser Ave. bridge may be more difficult once construction begins in the fall. photo courtesy of natchitoches.com

"We have a bottleneck now," Lachney said. "This area has always been busy, but now things can be stacked up more than in the past because of the extra lanes on one side of the river."

Lachney said the new bridge will have two travel lanes with a center turn lane, which he believes should help push cars quicker onto adjacent Jefferson Street. The project will likely take one and a half years to complete and cost $3.9 million.

Lachney said traffic will continue to flow during the construction, but on an alternate route. However, he said there will be delays caused when a detour bridge is tied into the existing road.

Natchitoches Mayor Wayne McCullen said the plan is for a temporary bridge to be constructed north of the existing one. The current bridge will be demolished and replaced with one similar in design to the nearby Church Street bridge.

"We are asking for patience from our citizens," McCullen said. "We are going to have some traffic problems, but we will work them out."

McCullen said the bridge work is a sign of growth in the city.

"A decade ago, Keyser Avenue was an underdeveloped highway," McCullen said. "Now we have a city on the fast track for growth."

McCullen believes the new bridge will add to the area's current expansion efforts that includes a new shopping center adjacent to Wal-Mart and a Super 1 Foods grocery that received final zoning approval last week.

Smoking policy

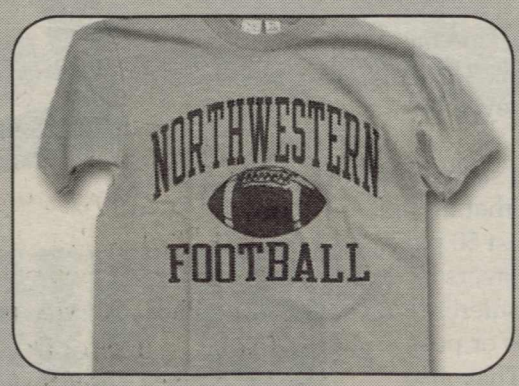
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requests that those who choose to smoke outside University buildings and facilities should avoid the immediate entrance and exit areas to prevent subjecting others to secondhand smoke.

"Secondhand smoke is a danger to people in the workplace and is an important safety issue," said NSU Environmental Health and Safety Officer Tammie Pezant. "This policy will create a healthier working environment for all employees and will better protect our students, faculty, staff over the long run."

According to Pezant, research indicates secondhand smoke can cause distress to non-smokers with chronic heart or lung disease. She said surveys have indicated that those with allergies and the majority of healthy non smokers' experience discomfort when exposed to secondhand smoke.

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"They don't realize that a small proportion of college athletes actually leave school early or commit some kind of rules violations," Roberts said.

"Yes, there are a lot of things we can improve on, but in the future I hope the commission looks at the positives as well as the negatives.

The report was issued last week just days before the NBA draft, in which four high school players skipped college and went straight to the pros.

The report hinted that the reason for that may be because of the "commercialization" of collegiate sports.

Roberts thinks there's another reason for it.

"It's ridiculous to tell these kids to turn down that type of money. Our society is one where education plays second fiddle to money. I think its unfair to point the finger at college football or basketball and say 'that's the reason why things are the way they are.'"


Roberts

"If there's a kid who's the best collegiate theatre major in the nation, and a production company wanted to pay that kid $3 million to be in a play, what do you think that kid will do?"

While the report criticizes the NCAA as a whole, Roberts thinks that the program at NSU is not one of its targets.

"I feel that the mission here at NSU is to educate the kids that come into our program. It's something that we work hard to do."

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Melanoma

and what every College student should know about it

by Missy Dupreast
Sauce Reporter

Daniel N. Fine was your average college student. He made good grades and participated in school activities such as the rowing team.

During a visit with his parents, Daniel's mom noticed a large mole on his back. Because of the mole's size and irregularity, about half an inch wide and almost as thick, Daniel's mom sent him to a dermatologist.

The mole turned out to be a late stage in melanoma, a dangerous skin cancer. Daniel went through many treatments, but it was too late. He died at the young age of twenty-six.

Daniel's parents created a website, skincheck.org, in order to keep people informed of the dangers of melanoma and its prevention.

What is Melanoma?

"Melanoma is a skin cancer that invades tissues below the skin," said Stephanie Campbell, nurse at NSU infirmary. "It's a very aggressive cancer."

Although melanoma can infect anyone regardless of their health, it is commonly found in young adults ages 25 through 29. Melanoma is the 6th most common cancer in males and the 7th most common in females, and the number of melanoma cases in the U.S. increase four percent every year. On average, there is one melanoma death in the U.S. per hour.

Its also the most common form of cancer found in college students today.

If melanoma is detected at an early stage, it is almost always curable. However, if it is caught too late, it could be fatal.

Detection

"You should have monthly skin checks. Look at moles and lesions that pop up," Campbell said.

Be sure to watch for changing colors in the mole, its size, and the spreading of its border into strange shapes.

Watch for atypical moles. These types of moles will have at least one of the following characteristics: irregular shape, uneven or fuzzy border, two or more shades of brown or pink, size of a quarter inch or more, pebbled or bumpy surface, and if the mole is raised, flat edges with a "fried egg" center.

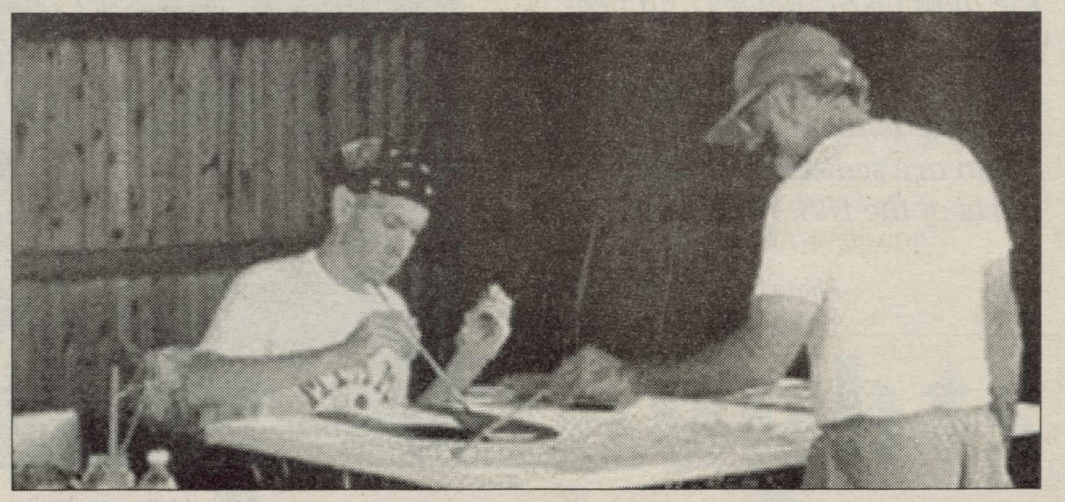
According to skincheck.org, although melanoma most often develops from pre-existing moles, it can also infect normal skin, freckles, blemishes, birthmarks, and other pigmented areas.

Prevention

Exposure to the sun is a factor in fifty to seventy percent of new melanoma cases, but it can be contracted without exposure to the sun. Skincheck.org has listed the following tips for melanoma protection:

- Avoid sunburns and tanning lamps.
- Avoid sun exposure. between 10 .a.m and 4 p.m.
- Avoid exposure of normally covered skin to intense sunlight.
- Wear protective clothing.
- Get a complete annual skin check.

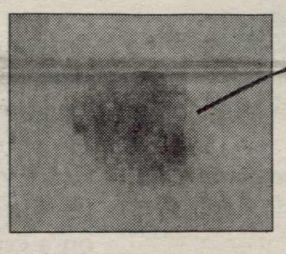
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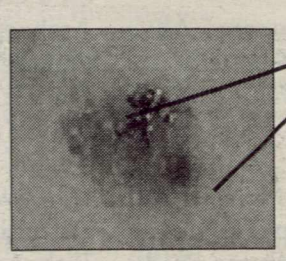
Daniel Fine (painting) did not know he had Melanoma, a skin cancer, until it was too late. Melanoma is the most common form of cancer for people between the ages of 25-29

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The Progression of a Melanoma

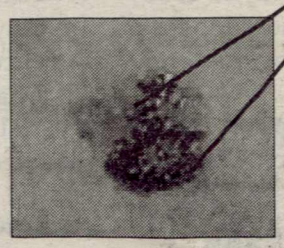


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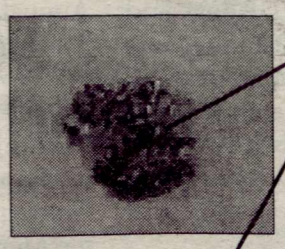


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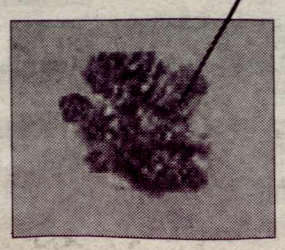
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These performers in the NSU production of "James and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat," hope to be some of the many NSU actors and performers working in theatres across the country. Many of the NSU students in the theatre program are scattered in different parts of the U.S. right now.

Photo by Gary Hardamon

Acting out in Public

NSU Theatre students take their acts on the road in internships

Just about anyone from central and north Louisiana who is traveling around the United States this summer should be within striking distance of a current or former Northwestern State University theatre student who is working professionally.

A number of the students who have been through the program in the last decade are professionally active with theatre or entertainment companies, in graduate schools or teaching.

In New York City, Jeff Williams' new production company, Alive Process is producing "Squatters." Also working in New York City are Mitch Melder, Randy Long, Stephanie Hodgdon, Suzanne Wallace, Daryl Lathon, Jerry Tan (Mullins), Deanna Gonzales, Alison DeLeon and Bo Allen. Jaime Neumann is at AMDA.

Three former NSU students, Ryan Glorioso, Devan McNair and Robert Larrivierre, have formed a film production company in Los Angeles. Cory Rouse is a writer and performer with the "Wayne Brady Show" which features one of the stars of the ABC show "Whose Line is it Anyway?" Aaron Moreland, Allen Walker and Lola Davis are also working in the Los Angeles area.

Several former students, Carla Hallack, Doug Lowry, Abby Carmichael, Amy Rose Vincent and Tony Arieux, are active on Chicago's busy professional scene. Hallack was just been accepted into Purdue University's graduate program.

And the increasingly busy Orlando-area with its Disney and Universal theme parks has attracted those including Brett Daigle, Joanie Garner, Mike Mayhall, Shea Eaves, Terrence Daniels, Cory Pichoff, Melissa Randall, Kelvin Payton, Leah Dunn, Patrick Thomassie and Jennifer Steiner are in several productions. Valerie Perdue and Darissa Williams are working at the Disney theme parks. Among current and former students working around the country, Lynn Gilcrease, Jeremy Passut and Jeremy Artigue are at Horse Cave Theatre in Kentucky,

Jennifer Kaplan and Leigh Anne Bramlett are theatrical agents in Denver and Brian Sterling is at the Berkshire Theatre Festival. Also working at various venues are Amie Clarke at the Sanford and Sons

Comedy Club in Kansas City, Lucas Comeaux at Seaside Theatre in Daytona, Fla., Josh Laird at Cedar Point Theme Park in Ohio and Becca Foster and Natalie West at Heritage Repertory in Charlottesville, Va. April Brown is also active in theatre in Virginia. Josh Powell will be part of "The Lost Colony" in Roanoke and Heather Smith will teach at a kids' theatre camp in New York State.

Currently Amy Magouirk, Brandon Mitchell, Eric DeFratis and Sammy Brewster are on tour. Shelley Colvin recently returned from entertaining on a cruise ship while Guy Davis will soon be part of a show on a cruise ship. Aimee Lasseigne is performing in Atlanta while Chad Amburg is at Hartford Stage in Connecticut and P.J. Davis is working in Philadelphia in musical theatre. Melony Ebeling is also in Philadelphia. Kelly Songy is in Fort Worth. Greg Romero has formed a theatre company in Austin. Patty Breckenridge and Tim Long are also in Austin.

Several former theatre students are pursuing graduate degrees at institutions including UNLV, Virginia Commonwealth, Purdue and Texas Tech. Among those in graduate school or who have been accepted are Clay Chauvin, Robin Armstrong, Peter Schmidt, Cathy Huey and Jay DeFelice.

Damian Domingue is now based in North Carolina and has written a musical, "The Legend of Sleepy Hollow." David Shamburger is teaching theatre at a Georgia college while Joel Ebarb is teaching at Purdue. Vicki Benson and Carin Link are teaching high school theatre in Texas. Heather Child will play Lady Macbeth at the Arkansas Shakespeare Festival in August. Laura West will again be at the Utah Shakespeare Festival.

Several students, Robin Eddy, Jereme Rhodes, John Chambers, Donnan Brian, Tony Williams, Jamaal Hill, John Smith, Guy Miller, Levi Petree, Jacob Smith, Kyle Lemaire and Michael Word, will be at Tecumseh in Ohio. Kerry Lambert, Josh Olkowski and Kristen Jones are working at Granbury Opera House in Texas. Linda Van Wick and Emily Taylor are at the Merry Go Round Theatre in New York.

Colin Trahan will be performing at Shakespeare in the Smoky Mountains while Devan Riley will be studying and teaching theatre abroad.

Lindsay Hand was recently featured in a picture in Madmoiselle while Sabrina Plaisance and Amber Rhyne were among those representing NSU in the Miss Louisiana Pageant.

Search for new head baseball coach narrows to five

by Rondray Hill
Editor

Five applicants remain for the Demon Baseball head coaching position, Athletics Director Greg Burke said tuesday.

NSU assistant coach Bill Wright, Texarkana Junior College head coach Matt Deggs, Central Missouri State head coach Brad Hill, Alabama assistant coach Mitch Gaspard and Ron Thompson are the remaining candidates for the head coaching vacancy.

Each will be interviewed individually before a decision is made. The new coach could be named by the middle of next week.

"We need someone who can maintain continuity," Burke said. "We also need someone strong in recruiting and someone serious about academics. All of these guys fit the criteria.

Wright, an assistant under former coach John Cohen, spent three years as hitting coach for the Demons. He has helped NSU lead the conference in batting average.

Deggs led Texarkana Junior College to the JUCO World Series this year while compiling a 146-81 record there.

Brad Hill is hoping to become the second NSU head coach to come from Central Missouri State, where Dave Van Horn was also a head coach. He has an .804 winning percentage at the Division II school.

Mitch Gaspard is a former NSU assistant under Jim Wells. He was a part of the Alabama coaching staff that went to the College World Series title game in 1997.

Mitch Thompson is in his seventh season as assistant coach of the nationally-ranked Baylor program.

Football adds Elon University to schedule

by Josh Beavers
Sauce reporter

The NSU football team will face the team with the toughest Division I-AA schedule last season, Elon University, giving the Demons the 11-game schedule they wanted.

The game is part of a home and home series. NSU will play at Elon this season on Oct. 13. Elon will come to NSU next season on Oct. 5.

It's something we've been discussing for months," said Athletics Director Greg Burke.

"This really helps our strength of schedule, and if you want an at-large bid in the NCAA tournament, strength of schedule is a heavily determining factor."

Nicknamed the Phoenix, Elon University is a I-AA independent, joining Big South conference next season. The school is located about 30 miles northwest of Durham, N.C.

They are the second North Carolina opponent the Demons will face this year. Gardner-Webb will face the Demons here at NSU.

Parting Thoughts

Former Demon head coach John Cohen speaks in his own words about his legacy, his thoughts on the Southland conference, his favorite memories and what he thinks about his future.

by John Cohen
with Rondray Hill

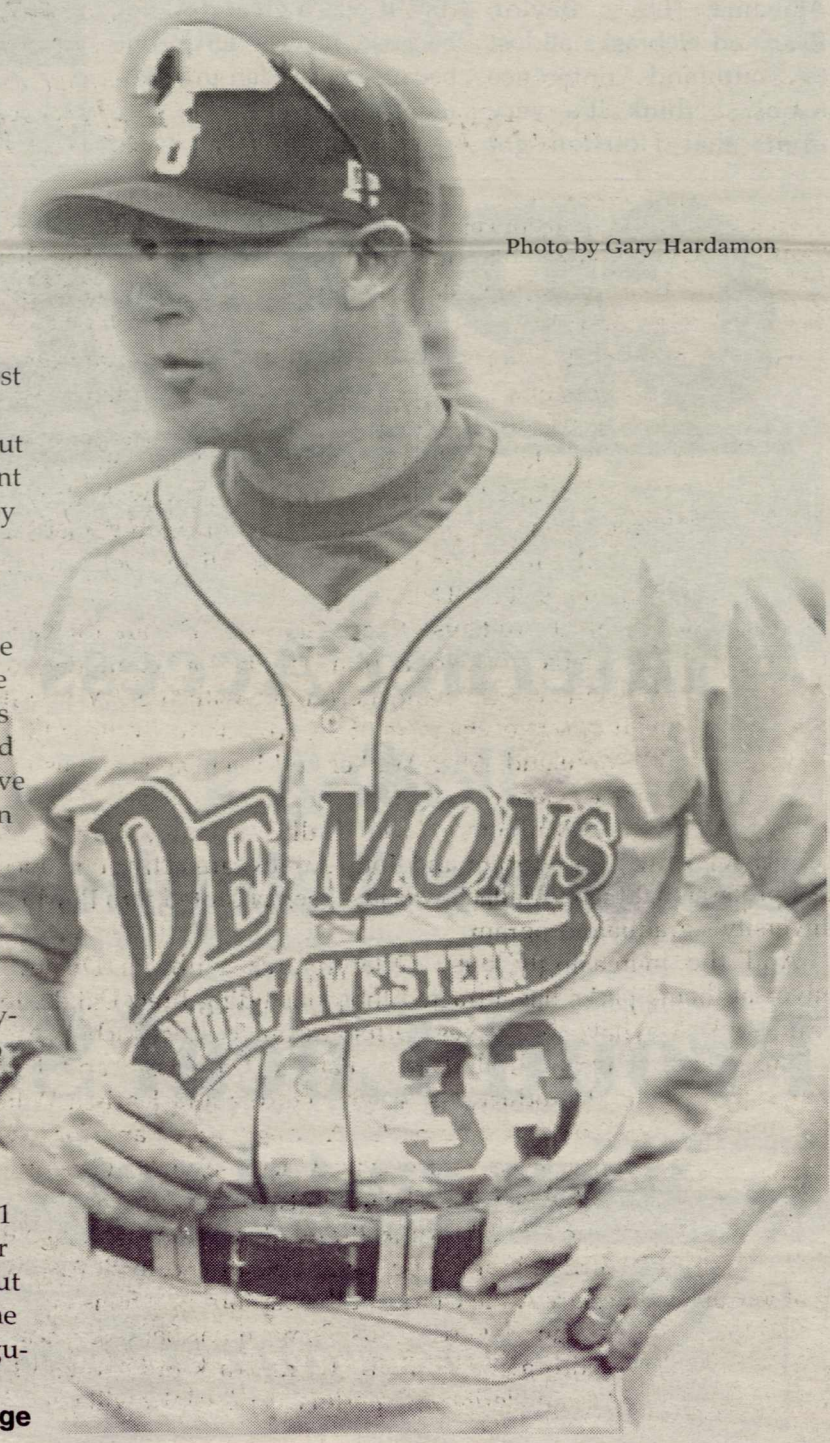


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Fondest Memory

My fondest memory of NSU was a game played in 1999. We were playing Southern Mississippi and I was the third base coach. We lost the game, but the thing I remember is we scored five runs in one inning. I looked over to the dugout and the players were going crazy. I asked (assistant coach) Bill Wright "what's going on? Why are they so excited?" He said, "we scored five runs in an inning without a walk or an error by the other team."

We had been talking about this before, and we determined that in innings where more than three runs were scored, 78 percent of the time there was either a walk or an error in that inning that caused that big inning. So at Southern Miss, we scored five runs in an inning without the benefit of a hit or an error, and our players go nuts. They were in tune with everything we worked on, and that meant a lot to me because it means they were paying that close of attention to what's going on.

Wins and losses are not big with me. They never have been. Making sure we get better everyday is. In the big scheme of things, if you want to win a Southland conference championship, you have to get better every day..

On the Southland Conference and The NCAA

As soon as I found out that we were the No. 1 seed in the conference tournament playing Lamar at their homefield, I didn't want to be negative but I was thinking, "there's no reward for winning the regular season." Your reward for winning the regular season championship is to play

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Cohen's thoughts continued

the host team on their field at 7 p.m and if you lose, your kids have to wake up a t 6 a.m. to play an 11 a.m. game the next day.

I'm not real fond of the idea that NSU might never host another SLC tournament. The way it's done right now, whoever bids the most money will host the tournament. NSU is about overachievement and not about money. If that's what hosting tournaments is about, then we will never host a conference tournament.

There is no reason the Southland conference didn't get three teams in the tournament this year. Texas, Texas A&M, Alabama, LSU, Baylor, Rice, and Nebraska all lost to Southland conference teams. I think it's very ironic that Houston got immediately put out of the tournament by the fourth place team in our league, UTA.

On the LSU Game

The exciting thing about the LSU game, for me, was no matter how the game would go, we created an atmosphere. We created a big time, Division I atmosphere. Our facility had come of age. Everyone who was there understood we had a homefield advantage in front of maybe the top baseball program in America.

The game, to me, was anti-climactic,because there were two teams that really didn't play well that day. It was a great day, not because it was LSU, but because of the fan involvement that day.

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University to assess energy surcharge

Northwestern State University will assess an energy surcharge of $2.65 per semester hour on students for the fall semester, according to NSU President Dr. Randall J. Webb.

The fee will be implemented to help the University pay higher costs for electricity and natural gas. The surcharge will capped at 12 hours. Full-time undergraduate students will pay up to $31.80 this fall.

The Louisiana Board of Regents' Executive Committee approved a request by the management boards of the Louisiana Community and Technical College, LSU, Southern and University of Louisiana systems to allow campuses to implement the surcharges to recover up to 75 percent of the actual increase in energy costs for the 2000-2001 fiscal year which ended July 1. The surcharge will be in effect for up to three years.

Northwestern had $638,985 in additional utility costs in 2000-2001 which was $362,078 more than had been budgeted.

The surcharge is expected to generate more than $479,000 during the 2001-2002 fiscal year. NSU will absorb more than $158,000 in increased utility costs this year. Northwestern had the second lowest projected energy surcharge and projected

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Officials lift hiring freeze

by Heather Patton
Sauce Reporter

Northwestern officials have announced the hiring freeze placed on the University has been lifted resulting in the employment of several new faculty members.

Earlier this summer, a hiring freeze was placed on the University due to budgeting.

The freeze was first thought to be only for the College of Business, but Vice President of Academic Affairs, Tom Burns, said the freeze was for the whole campus.

"The hiring freeze was to look where the University stood with the budget it has," Burns said. "It was not restricted to just the business department. Once the budget was looked at, we told departments they could begin looking at candi-



Josh Beavers/Current Sauce

After a layoff that began in the spring, KNWD is back on the air and set to start broadcasting soon.

Ready to Rock & Roll

by Josh Beavers
Sauce Reporter

After a long layoff, the University's student radio station is back on the airwaves.

Tuesday night, engineers from the journalism department teamed with members of the university telecommunications team to put the finishing touches on a repair project that began during the spring semester.

KNWD, the Demon 91.7 FM, had been off the air since the end of the spring semester due to problems encountered when the University began installing a new digital fiberoptics network throughout the campus.

Steve Horton, head of the University journalism department, said that in the process of installing the new system, the lines KNWD used to broadcast were cut.

"The cut lines could never be found," Horton said. "So KNWD was unable to broadcast."

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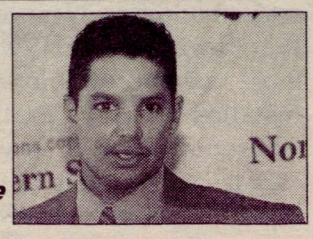
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rate increase among institutions in the University of Louisiana System.

In addition to energy costs, the university must also fund $84,257 in mandated merit increases for employees under civil service and an additional $549,013 in employee insurance premium increases.

"We wish we did not have to implement this surcharge, but the university was not able to absorb the dramatic increase in utility costs," said Webb. "Through hard work and increased efficiency, we have been able to keep energy costs as low as possible."

According to NSU Vice President for University Affairs John Winston, the University has worked aggressively for the past several years to reduce utility costs. Northwestern has reduced its natural gas consumption by 44 percent in recent years by installing more efficient generators and improving its distribution system.

During the past year, NSU has adopted several energy conservation measures. Northwestern has begun a campus-wide program to replace older lights and light fixtures with energy efficient lamps and fixtures. The university has also completed a two-year energy conservation project in 10 buildings that centrally control thermostats and all of the constant speed/volume pumps in 11 academic buildings were replaced with variable frequency/speed drives.

In addition, Northwestern has upgraded the energy management system in the central cooling and heating plant in 10 major buildings. New cooling towers which were more energy efficient were installed at Prather Coliseum. A new central chiller and cooling tower replaced individual towers for five buildings and another central tower will replace five more individual towers. The university will also issue a memo to all faculty and staff directing them to take steps to conserve energy such as turning off unneeded lights and office equipment.

According to Winston, a study by the University of Virginia indicated that users could save $65 per year by turning off the monitor on their computer each day. NSU Division of Information Systems said the university has has approximately 2,500 desktop computers. That translates to a potential savings of more than $70,000 annually if half of those using a computer turn off the monitor at the end of the work day.

NSU is also working to use the most energy-efficient lighting as it continues to improve exterior lighting on campus.

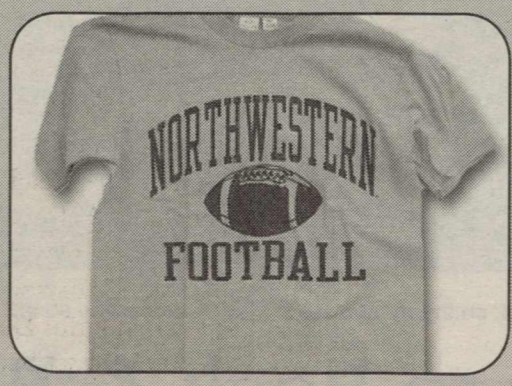
"Conserving energy is very important to the university," said Winston. "Every dollar that is saved on utility costs can go to benefit our students."

Northwestern has worked for several years with Siemens Building Technologies to develop an efficient energy management system. NSU staff members Director of the Physical Plan Loran Lindsey, Assistant Director Waddy K. Norman and Utility/Energy Management Supervisor Ambrose Airhart will attend a campus energy seminar in August offered by the Entergy Corporation.

"We have made great progress in the past several years and will continue to seek out additional ways to be even more energy efficient," said Winston.

A survey conducted by the Board of Regents showed that campuses statewide had to absorb an additional $29.3 million in utilities costs, a 58.6 percent increase over last year, as a result of dramatic nationwide rate hikes. The survey indicated natural gas costs rose 111.6 percent while campus consumption of gas increased by only 7.6 percent. Electricity rates jumped 45.3 percent while campus usage was only 11.6 percent higher than the year before.

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Horton said officials from the journalism department had been working with the University's telecommunications team to remedy the situation since the error was first discovered.

Roy Davis, the journalism department's chief engineer, said the work completed Tuesday is just a temporary fix until permanent fiberoptic cables are installed for the station to broadcast through.

"We needed to get the station back on the air," Davis said. "We'll start on the bigger changes very soon."

KNWD General Manager Raymond Williams was unavailable for comment, but other members of the station's management team said a meeting will be scheduled soon for interested students to sign up for radio show timeslots.

Tracy Brown, head of the telecommunications team, said the fiberoptics conversion is underway due to the deterioration of the University's current communications system, which is more than 20 years old.

"These lines have been in use for quite a long time," Brown said. "It was time for a update."

Brown said the new system will allow the University to have faster and clearer phone and internet connections.

"It is state of the art," he said.

Funding for the project comes as part of a $450,000 grant to the university to update the campus communication system.

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dates and interviewing them."

Burns said several departments wanted to interview candidates for the summer and fall, but were advised to put those plans on hold.

"We should have around as many faculty as in the previous fall semester," Burns said. "We look forward to the fall. We will have a new director at the computer center and a new director at the library. We have filled vacancies in a number of departments, due to people retiring or leaving."

Joel Worley, dean of the college of business, said with new faculty members, the business department is spreading their resources for students in the best way possible.

"When competition recognizes us, it means we're doing something right."

Joel Worley,
Dean, College of Business

"As growth continues for our department, we'll need more faculty.," Worley said. "Almost every class we have available for the fall are at maximum capacity. Some are overfilled and most of our classes are closed. We're very proud of our college of business. The demands are exceeding the supply."

Worley believes this shows a first-class program. He said students come from in and out of state to join their program. Worley said some other colleges refer students for their program as well.

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NSU Symphony Conductor York resigns from University

By Rondray Hill
Editor

NSU Symphony Director Scott York resigned from the University wednesday afternoon to accept a job teaching vocal music in Texas.

York was unavailable for comment.

For two years, York was the director of the the NSU/Natchitoches Symphony after working with the Longview, Texas Opera.

Creative and Performing Arts Director Bill Brent hopes to have a replacement within the next two weeks.


Scott York

"We're trying to get a conductor for the fall semester very quickly," Brent said.

"Hopefully, we'll have a replacement at least by the end of the week.

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Folk Fest 2001

(Above) Scotty Pousson and the Pointe Aux Loups Playboys perform zydeco music during the 20th annual Natchitoches/NSU Folk Festival held recently in Prather Coliseum. The band's performance was one of many that got people out of their seats and onto the dance floor.

(Below) There were many illustrations and displays set up to show various types of arts and crafts, food, and activities for children, including this woman who showed how to make different items out of straw.



by Missy Dupreast
Sauce Reporter

The 22nd annual Natchitoches/ NSU Folk Festival was held Friday and Saturday, the 20th and 21st of July, in Prather Coliseum.

This year the theme was African-American culture and Louisiana's folk traditions. The festival was filled with a variety of music on three stages, plus many booths for arts and crafts, food, and activities for children.

Saturday's activities opened up with Cajun dance lessons on the main stage, an African-American gospel choir on the west stage, and Willie Mae Kennedy on the East stage. Cajun dance instructional videotapes were also sold at one of the booths.

Next on the agenda was Scotty Pousson and the Pointe Aux Loups Playboys on the West stage, Armadillo Jackal on the main stage, and Peter Lamson on the East stage.

Scotty Pousson and the Pointe Aux Loups Playboys played on the main stage immediately following their performance on the West stage. They performed zydeco that got people out of their seats and onto the dance floor.

Aaron Ravare, an NSU student who was working at the information booth, commented that the roots of zydeco are attributed to African-American culture, and it has had a great influence on white culture.

While the Scotty Pousson Band was playing their second set on the main stage, J.W. Kelley and Basic Country played the West stage, and Easter Rock rocked the East stage. Easter Rock was a Christian group from Winnsboro, Louisiana.

Their set consisted of a table in the front that displayed a variety of things to represent different aspects of Christianity. They had twelve cakes to represent Christ's twelve disciples, and the tablecloth, as well as their attire, was white to represent purity.

Easter Rock marched around the table singing songs about the Lord. One song, called *Oh, David*, they consider their victory song. As the song began, the group marched slowly around the table singing *When the Saints Go Marching In*.

The song then exploded into dancing and stomping around the table with harmonious praises. Members of the audience were able to join in the march, stomping and clapping and singing right along with the group. For visual effect, the leader of the line waved around a giant circle with pastel crate paper dangling from it.

NSU Theater Presents "Cotton Patch Gospel"

by Missy Dupreast
Sauce Reporter

Spread the word! "Cotton Patch Gospel" is coming to NSU's stage.

Under the direction of Dr. Jack Wann, the Northwestern theater department will perform this quite unique musical, which tells the story of the Book of Matthew, beginning July 31st in Theatre West of the Creative and Performing Arts building.

"Cotton Patch Gospel" is not your everyday Biblical reenactment. In fact, the differences are rather drastic. In this play, there will be no talk of Jerusalem.

Instead, "Cotton Patch Gospel" is set in Gainesville, GA, where modern day disciples spread the word of Jesus.

Although there are major differences, the core of the play is quite clear.

"Thematically," says Dr. Wann, "it's exactly the Book of Matthew."

"Cotton Patch Gospel" is based on the book The Cotton Patch Version of Matthew and John by Clarence Jordan.

The play was written by Tom Key and Russell Treyz, and before he combined efforts with Treyz, Key performed "Cotton Patch Gospel" himself, as a one-man show. Harry Chapin, who is best known for "Cats in the Cradle" and "Taxi," later wrote the music and lyrics for the play.

Harry Chapin was a great philanthropist who donated fully half of everything he made to charities. Dr. Wann points out that "Cotton Patch Gospel" is less specifically Biblical, but it emphasizes a sense of good such as shown by Chapin.

"It's general message about brotherhood will impact equally on someone who is religious or nonreligious," says Dr. Wann.

Jonathan Steele, who plays the role of Jesus, says, "Jesus's message is to love one another, not 'Hey, worship me'."

The role of Jesus is somewhat of a stretch for Steele.

"I have a lot of religious background, but I'm not sure about the Christian religion," says Steele. "I don't think I buy it."

Dr. Wann says the bottom line of the play is that these modern disciples have "figured out a joyful way to live, and they want to share it with other people."

"Cotton Patch Gospel" will open on July 31st and run through August 9th, each night at 7:30 in Theatre West.



Gary Hardamon/NSU Press
The Northwestern Theater Department brings the "Cotton Patch Gospel" to the University July 31 through August 9. The play is a biblical reenactment set in Gainseville, GA.

Summer's end brings collective sigh of relief from University students

by Heather Patton
Sauce Reporter

Summer school will soon be over, which has some students breathing a sigh of relief.

"I'm happy summer school is almost over and I'm ready to go home," Adrienne Simpson, a junior business administration major, said.

This is Simpson's first time in summer school. She has attended the third and fourth sessions.

"Summer school is hard work and very stressful," Simpson said. "The third session was pretty good, but the fourth session is boring. The fourth session would probably be easier if our class had study guides. I'm just ready for Fall 2001."

Larry Gadson, a freshman criminal justice major, said his third session has been better than his fourth one as well.

"The third session was good," Gadson said. "The teacher really helped me out and took time with me. The class was also fun too. In the fourth session, there has been too much homework. Other than school, it's just boring. There's nothing to do and a lot of my friends are home for the summer. I feel good, though, that summer school is almost over because I'm ready for it to end. I'm ready for fall to start and to have a good semester."

Junior journalism major, Warren Hayes, said he feels stressful about his fourth session class.

"It makes me feel stressed because I paid my money for the class and I'm not getting the help I need," Hayes said. "Certain teachers don't always help or give you study guides. This is my first year of summer school and the third session was good because of the class I had. The teacher took the time to help me understand the material."

For some students, anxiousness about the fall semester is more than the stress of summer school.

Senior social work major, Katherine Holloway, has been in summer school for four summers.

"I don't like summer school," Holloway said, "but it helps to know it only lasts three weeks and I'll be done. I've been here for two sessions. I feel relief that it's almost over, but I'm anxious about the fall."

Seven Demons named to All-Conference team

Northwestern State University leads all teams with six individuals occupying seven first-team spots on the 2001 Preseason All-Southland Football League teams.

Returning All-League players from last season are automatically named to the 2001 teams with the remaining spots filled based on a vote of the Southland's seven head coaches.

Terrence McGee, a 5-10, 186-pound cornerback for the Demons, occupies two spots on the first team. In addition to being a first-team defensive back, the Athens, Texas, junior, has been predicted as the top return man on special teams for the 2001 season.

Joining McGee on the defensive unit are defensive lineman Herchel Monroe, linebacker Kurt Rodriguez, and fellow cornerback Kendrick Llorens.

Monroe (6-0, 290), a senior from Bossier City, La., finished with 59 tackles and two quarterback sacks last season. He was a second-team pick at his position last year.

Rodriguez (6-2, 235) returns for his junior season after leading the Southland with 127 tackles last year. Included were a league-best 57 solo stops as the Violet, La., product averaged 11.5 hits per game.

Llorens (5-11, 165), a senior from Natchitoches, La., returns after finishing with 37 tackles in 11 games last season.

Offensive first-teamers for the Demons are lineman Gene Tennison and kicker Clint Sanford.

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Southland Football Preseason Coaches Poll

1. McNeese State
2. Southwest Texas
3. Sam Houston
4. SFA
5. **Northwestern State**
6. Jacksonville State
7. Nicholls State

*coaches could not vote for their team.

Former Lady Demon Kia Converse named Assistant Coach

by Rondray Hill
Editor

Kia Converse, the all-time leading 3-point shooter in both NSU and Southland Conference history, will return to NSU as an assistant coach for the Lady Demon Basketball team.



Asst. Coach Converse

She will join former teammate Jennifer Graf in replacing former assistants Stephanie Locke and Wendy Schuller this season.

"We're really looking forward to this season. This year I'll be learning a lot," Converse said. " I want to learn as much as I can from (Head) Coach Smith. He's a great teacher.

Converse will be in charge of working with guards, managing, helping with recruiting, assisting with camps and checking on players among other duties.

Converse finished her five-year career at NSU last season, leading the Lady Demons their third straight appearance in the conference tournament finals.



New baseball head coach Mitch Gaspard at the his press conference.

Photo by Gary Hardamon

A Conversation with the Coach

The Current Sauce got a chance to talk with new baseball head coach Mitch Gaspard.

by Rondray Hill
Editor

RH: What's up Coach?
MG: Not too much. I'm trying to get the move all situated. Trying to get everything all squared up so we can mover to Natchitoches.
RH: Have you gotten a chance to eat some of the food here yet?
MG: We ate at Dominic's the night of the press conference, but being from Natchitoches before, we know where Lasyone's and Almost Home and some of the hotspots are here.

RH: A lot of new coaches say they won't changes things up too much during that first year. How will you coach the first year?
MG: I think that John Cohen and his staff obviously did a good job to win the conference championship. I'll try to work within the comfort zone of the players. I'll try to ease in a make as few changes as possible.

RH: You said this team was good enough to win a regional tournament, go to a super regional and maybe go to the College World Series. Why do you feel that way?
MG: I know we have pitching depth. From my personal experience, once you get into regional play it's all about who's playing the best. When you have pitching depth , you have a good team and then you just have to hope you play well when you get there.
RH: How do your experiences in the College World Series help you out here as the head coach?
MG: It gives me an advantage as far the players knowing that I've been there and that I know the way to get there, it helps a lot. It's also about knowing the right buttons to push and when to ask more or less of your players. Untimately, you just try to but your players in the best position possible.

RH: When you were an assistant here under Jim Wells, did you ever think you would come back as the head coach?
MG: It wasn't something I didn't think would happen. I wanted to prepare myself to be a head coach and I didn't want to start off unprepared, so that's why I went to Alabama with Wells. The seven years has helped me prepare to come back to NSU.
RH: Does it excited you that the past three coaches to coach here have moved on to bigger and better things?
MG: No question. This is a very attractive job, especially for young head coaches. Jim Wells, Dave Van Horn, John Cohen went to really big jobs. I think anyone with long term goals has to look at that and see that this place has a great track record for coaches. NSU has done a great job of hiring coaches.

RH: Finally, will Alabama make up that rained out game?
MG: 2003.
RH: 2003?
MG: 2003.
RH: No fair. I graduate this year. That's messed up.
MG: Well, Alabama already had their schedule filled up for this year but we worked out a deal in 2003 for them to come back and play.
RH: Oh okay. And by the way, if you have any more news, be sure to call the *Sauce* first.
MG: Okay. But if I lose the first three games in a row you wont be too hard on us?
RH: We'll go easy on you.

Conference Team Selections: Continued

Tennison (6-4, 285) is a senior from Dayton, Texas, while Sanford (6-1, 182) will complete his eligibility his season after hitting 14 of 20 field goals and 26 of 29 extra points last year. He finished second in the League with 68 points.

The majority of McNeese's picks are on the offensive side of the ball, led by running back Aaron Pierce and receiver Jermaine Martin. Pierce will run behind first-team offensive linemen Jason Davis and Dwight Hudler.

Pierce (5-7, 169), a junior from New Orleans, La., finished seventh last year with 695 yards rushing, scoring four touchdowns. He also caught 14 passes for 55 yards.

Martin (5-6, 145), a senior from Lafayette, La., finished sixth in the League with 38 receptions and was third with 708 yards for an average of 64.4 yards per game.

Davis (6-0, 310) is a junior from Lake Charles, La., while Hudler (6-2, 292), a product of Mesquite, Texas, is the lone sophomore on the preseason first or second teams.

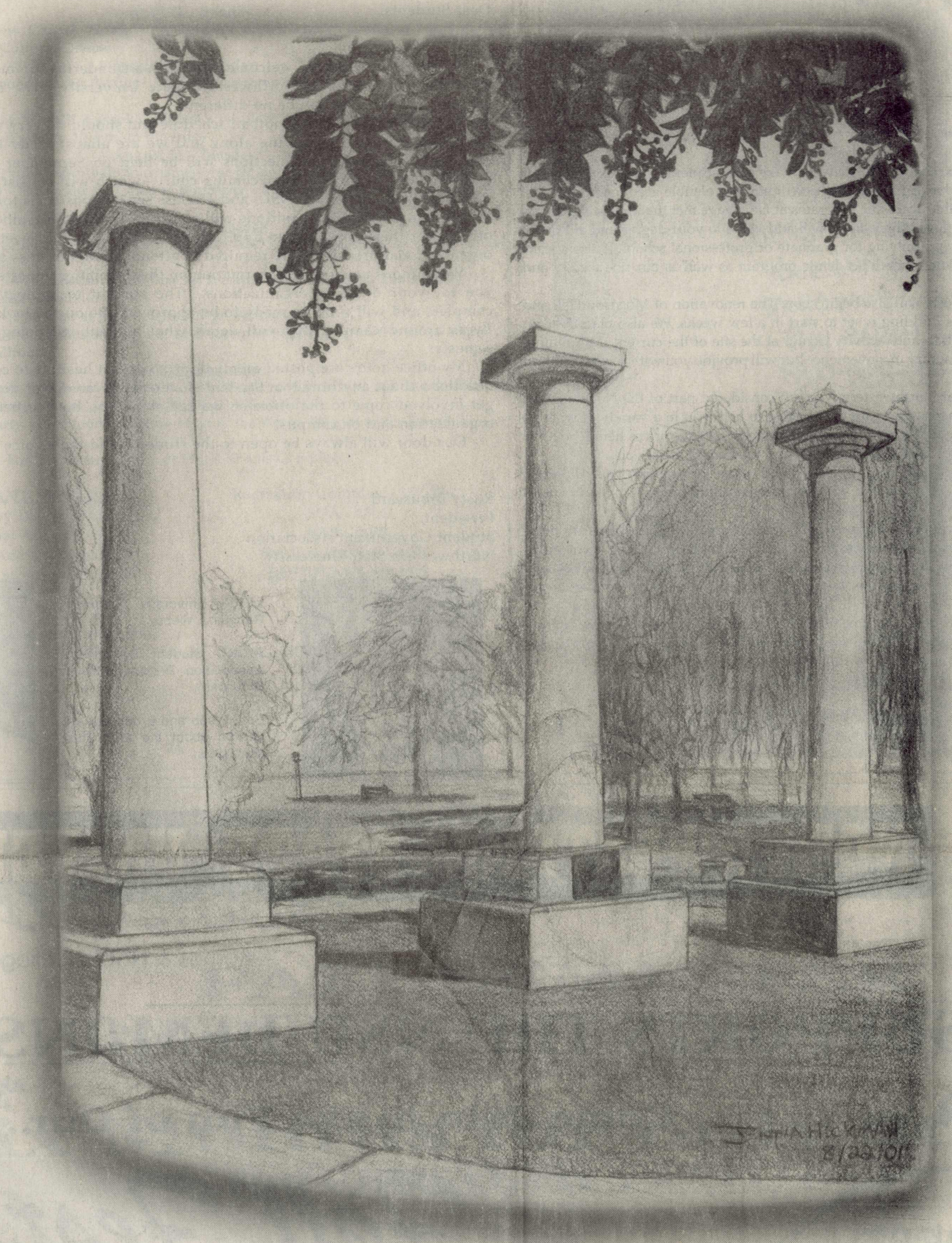
Defensively, linebacker Brad Archie of McNeese earned first-team accolades. A senior from Slidell, La., Archie (6-1, 219) had 74 tackles with two quarterback sacks last year.

Offensive lineman Doug Wheeler, defensive lineman Clenton Ballard, linebacker Myron Coleman and safety Sterling Rogers represent Southwest Texas on the first team.

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President Webb welcomes you to NSU

Dear Students:

I want to take this opportunity to welcome each of you to Northwestern State University for the 2001-2002 academic year. There are many things to be excited about at NSU and I think this is going to a wonderful year for all of us.

All of us at Northwestern work continuously to improve the university and make it a better place for you to study and live.

Our top priority is academic excellence. We strive to make each academic program the best it can be. Soon the university will achieve 100 percent accreditation of eligible academic programs. This means that each of the 34 eligible academic programs at NSU have met the highest standards set by national accrediting bodies. This achievement will add value to your degree and aid many of you when seeking employment or applying for graduate or professional school. It also speaks volumes about the high quality of the overall academic program as well as our fine faculty and staff.

A number of construction projects will also begin soon. The renovation of Morrison Hall and the Family and Consumer Sciences Building is set to start in a few weeks. We also plan to begin work on the new Wellness, Recreation and Activity Center at the site of the current IM building. These projects will cause some temporary inconvenience but will provide you with several modern facilities once work is completed.

From the moment you enroll at Northwestern, you are considered part of the Northwestern Family. Being part of the Family means there are people here to help you in a variety of ways as you complete your education. I encourage you to take advantage of the resources here whenever you need them. The faculty and staff are student-oriented and are here to assist you.

And being part of the Northwestern Family doesn't end when you receive your diploma. There are 70,000 NSU alumni in all 50 states and a dozen foreign countries who are always there for fellow Demons.

I also encourage you to get involved in campus activities and organizations. There are more than 120 campus organizations which will appeal to any major or interest. Getting involved in clubs or organizations will allow you to meet more people and will add a great deal to your college experience. There are also concerts, plays, lectures, sporting events, and other activities to give you something to do outside of class.

As president, I appreciate your ideas and input on what we can do to make Northwestern a better place. It is also encouraging to hear good things about our faculty and staff. I do my best to be visible on campus, so please let me know how things are going.

Once again, best wishes for the academic year.

Randall J. Webb
President

SGA President Broussard outlines homecoming changes

Dear Students,

To returning students, welcome back from a wonderful summer; and to new students on campus, welcome to Northwestern State University. The fall semester is always exciting and this one will be no different.

We have an interesting football schedule and should do very well this year. The new IM building project is moving along and we are almost ready to break ground. The Student Government Fall elections will be held on September 19th and 20th. These elections will be for the Homecoming court—which will consist of ten women and ten men this year—Mr. & Ms. NSU, and 15 class senator positions for Student Government.

Fillings for the SGA positions will start on Monday September 27th, so come by the office after then to fill out an application! Gavel club will meet on September 6th. All organizational presidents are required to attend, so do not miss the meeting.

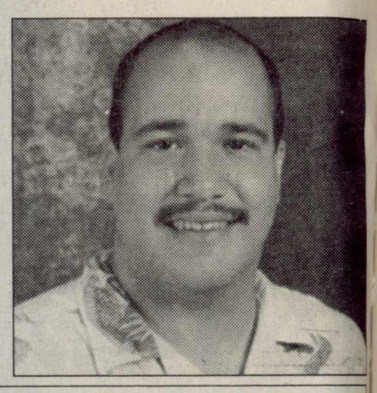
Voluminous amounts of information on the upcoming semester will be distributed to you for your different organizations. The student technology fee budget is almost complete and will soon be ready to be approved. Be on the lookout for pamphlets and flyers around campus that will detail what student technology can do for you this semester.

My office hours are posted on my door, so do not hesitate to come by if you have any questions about anything that Student Government can do for you. If you would like to get involved come to the office so we can show you how to become active within the organization and on campus.

Our door will always be open to the students and their voice will always be heard.

Rusty Broussard
President
Student Government Association
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LEFT- University President Randall J. Webb.

RIGHT- Student Government Association President Rusty Broussard.

Both Webb and Broussard are excited about the 2001-2002 semesters.

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Scavenger Hunt at The Foundation - 6 p.m. at The Wesley-Westminister Foundation
BCM Freshman Fellowship Supper - 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at Baptist Collegiate Ministries - FREE SUPPER
New Student Social - Sponsored by New Student Programs - For all incoming freshmen 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. in the Ballroom

August 24 - Friday

Men's Fraternity Rush Registration (IFC) - All day - Fee Payment - Prather Coliseum
Pizza Night at The Foundation - 7 p.m. at the Wesley-Westminister Foundation - Free pizza
BCM Movie Night - 8 p.m. at the Baptist Collegiate Ministries

August 26 - Sunday

Discovering Your New Church Home - Looking for a new church home in Natchitoches? Contact the Office of Cultural Diversity at 357-5475

August 27 - Monday

Roommate Game - Sponsored by the New Student Programs - Win Prizes! - 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the Alley
SAB Coffeehouse "Say What?!" Karaoke Contest - 1st place: $100 - 2nd place: $50 - Costumes and music provided - 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. in the Alley

August 28 - Tuesday

IM Water Polo - Inner tube water polo tournament for IM points - 2 p.m. @ Rec. Complex
All Campus Worship - Hosted by all Campus Ministries - Live music and worship on the field at Turpin Stadium at 9 p.m.

August 29 - Wednesday

CSO Fellowship - Free meal served - Information for CSO Officer Elections- 6:30 p.m. at Holy Cross Catholic Church
Worship Service at The Foundation - Free Snacks! Informational meeting following 6:30 p.m. at the Wesley-Westminister Foundation
Worship at the BCM - 8:30 p.m. at the Baptist College Ministries
The "Mixer" - Music, fun, games and prizes! Meet campus organizations - 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. in the Student Union Ballroom

August 30 - Thursday

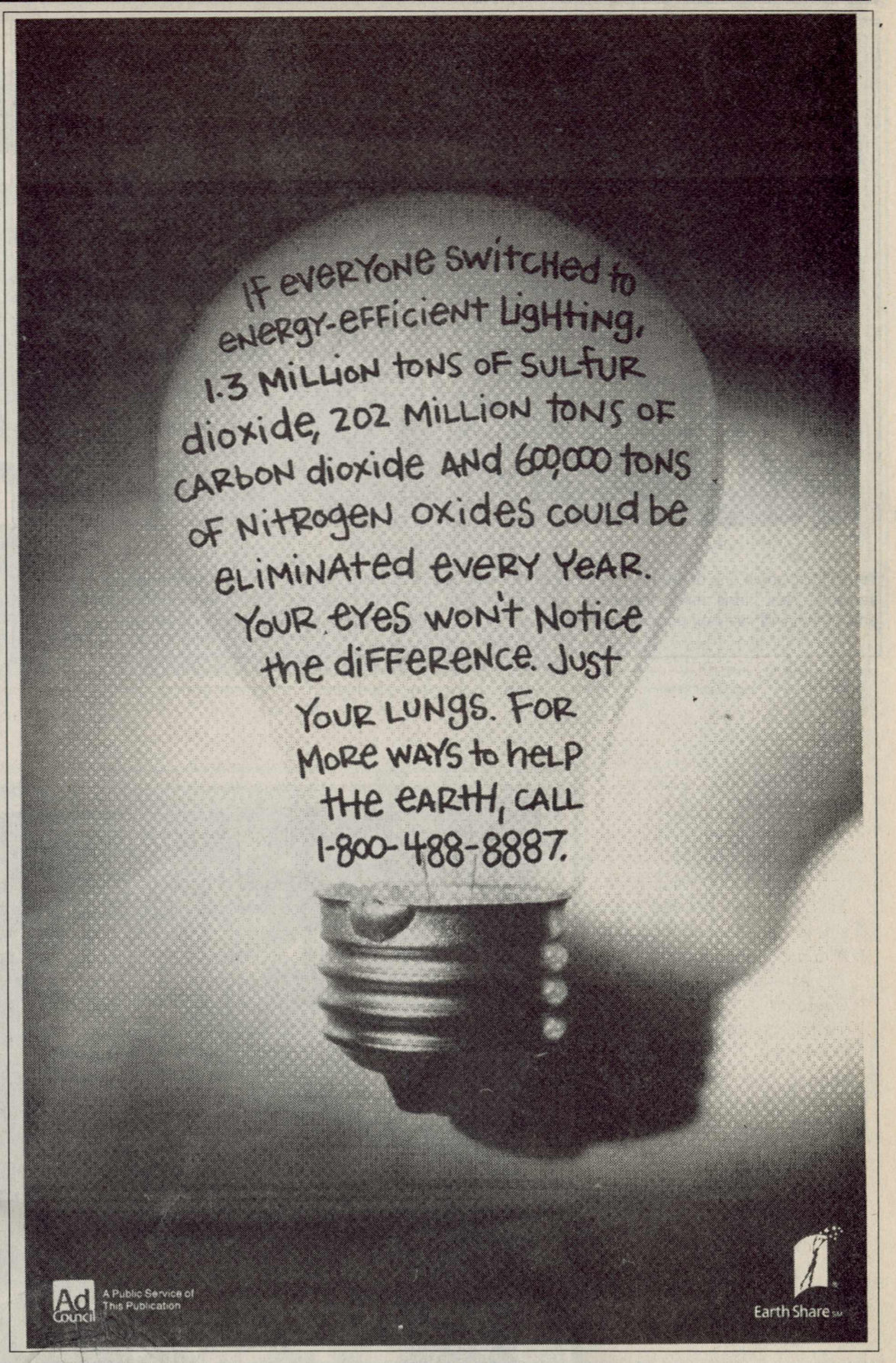
Making College Count - Sponsored by New Student Programs - Learn how to make the most out of you college experience - 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. in Magale Recital Hall.
Foundation Swim Party - Free food and fun - Meet at the Wesley-Westminister Foundation at 5 p.m.
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Turpin Stadium is one of the many structures on campus that is being renovated at the beginning of the 2001 Fall semester. New turf is being installed on the stadium floor. The NSU Football Demons, as well as students, faculty and alumni, will see play on the new turf September 8 when the Demons will host Henderson State.

McCrery to speak at University

U. S. Rep. Jim McCrery will visit Northwestern today.

McCrery will visit the University in Room 239 of Kyser Hall to learn about Northwestern's TRIO program. McCrery will also visit the Louisiana Creole Heritage Center in Room 116 of Kyser Hall. McCrery will then go to Nelson Hall for an update on the Historic American Buildings Survey team, the Cane River National Heritage Area and the NCPTT.

Northwestern President Dr. Randall J. Webb and his wife Brenda will host a reception for McCrery at 4:30 p.m. in the Orville Hanchey Art Gallery. The reception is open to the public.

NSU partners with community colleges

Over the next eighteen months Northwestern staff will collaborate with staff and students at three Louisiana community colleges as the second round of partnerships in a three-year, $500,000 TRIO Dissemination partnership program, funded by the U.S. Department of Education.

The three partners include South Louisiana Community College in New Iberia, River Parishes Community College in Sorrento and Nunez Community College in Chalmette.

Northwestern's project is one of 28 such programs funded over the last two years at institutions of higher education nationwide. The project is designed to partner NSU with Louisiana community colleges to develop ways to target at-risk students in order to improve access to education, as well as increase student retention and completion.



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University to begin major construction projects in 2001-2002

As Northwestern State University prepares to begin the 2001-2002 academic year, three major construction projects are progressing.

The projects worth almost $18 million include a $5,020,000 renovation of Morrison Hall and the Family and Consumer Sciences Building, a $6.9 million renovation of the Intramural Building which will become the Wellness, Recreation and Activity Center and the $6 million construction of a fiberoptics network.

Northwestern has a total of $31 million in projects either recently completed, in construction or on the drawing board, according to Loran Lindsey, director of the physical plant at NSU.

Work will soon begin on the renovation of Morrison Hall, the home of the Louisiana Scholars' College and the Family and Consumer Sciences Building. Contractors will start the project with hazardous materials abatement then begin a total renovation and modernization of both buildings. The renovation for both buildings is being bid as one project.

The Department of Family and Consumer Science, College of Nursing's Natchitoches office and the Louisiana Scholars' College will move to South Hall which is located near Turpin Stadium while work is being done. South Hall was the temporary home of the National Center for Preservation Technology and Training while Lee H. Nelson Hall (the Women's Gym) was being renovated.

Foundation notes need for nationally accredited teachers

Northwestern has been awarded a $34,200 grant from Entergy Charitable Foundation and the Council for a Better Louisiana to address the need for more nationally certified teachers in the region.

Dr. Sally N. Hunt, director of field experiences in NSU's College of Education, is the director of the year-long project and Pat Thurman, director of the Region VI Education Service center will serve as project co-director.

The project, Investment in Excellence, Supporting National Certification, will provide funding of $2,000 toward the assessment fee and an intensive support system to teachers in the 10-parish region. One teacher from each parish will be selected to participate in the program. The parishes include Avoyelles, DeSoto, Grant, LaSalle, Natchitoches, Rapides, Red River, Sabine, Vernon, and Winn.

In order to gain national certification, teachers must prepare an extensive portfolio, which includes a videotape and analysis of their teaching skills, and pass a written assessment. The Louisiana legislature has approved a bill to reward nationally certified teachers with a stipend of $5,000 per year for 10 years.



Settling in

Students of all race and gender began the 2001-2002 school year last Sunday at noon when they invaded the University's residence halls. Over 1,500 students moved into the University's dormitories. All that remained after the invasion were empty cardboard boxes, seen here. For some, this may look like a heaping pile of garbage. However, for others, those who may have no where to live, this is a window of opportunity. This spacious condo could have been found in the central parking lot of Sabine Hall.

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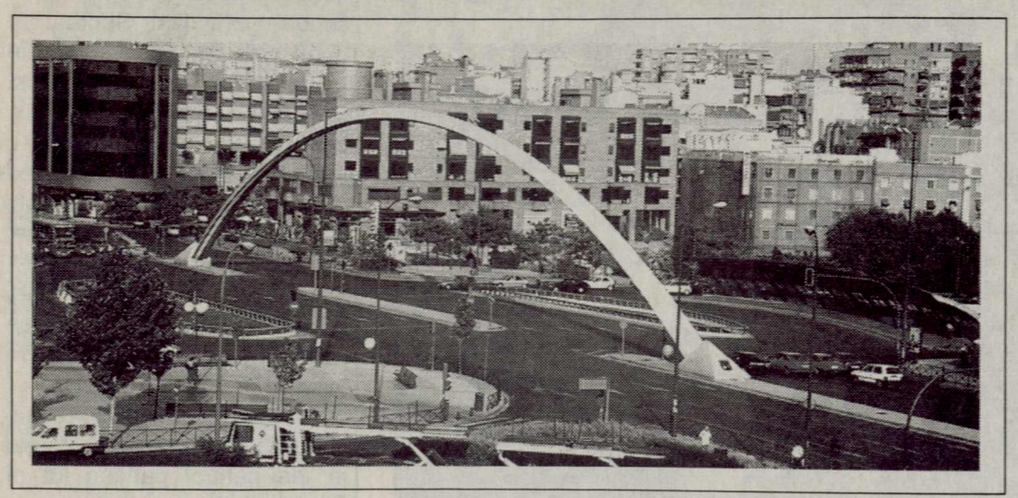
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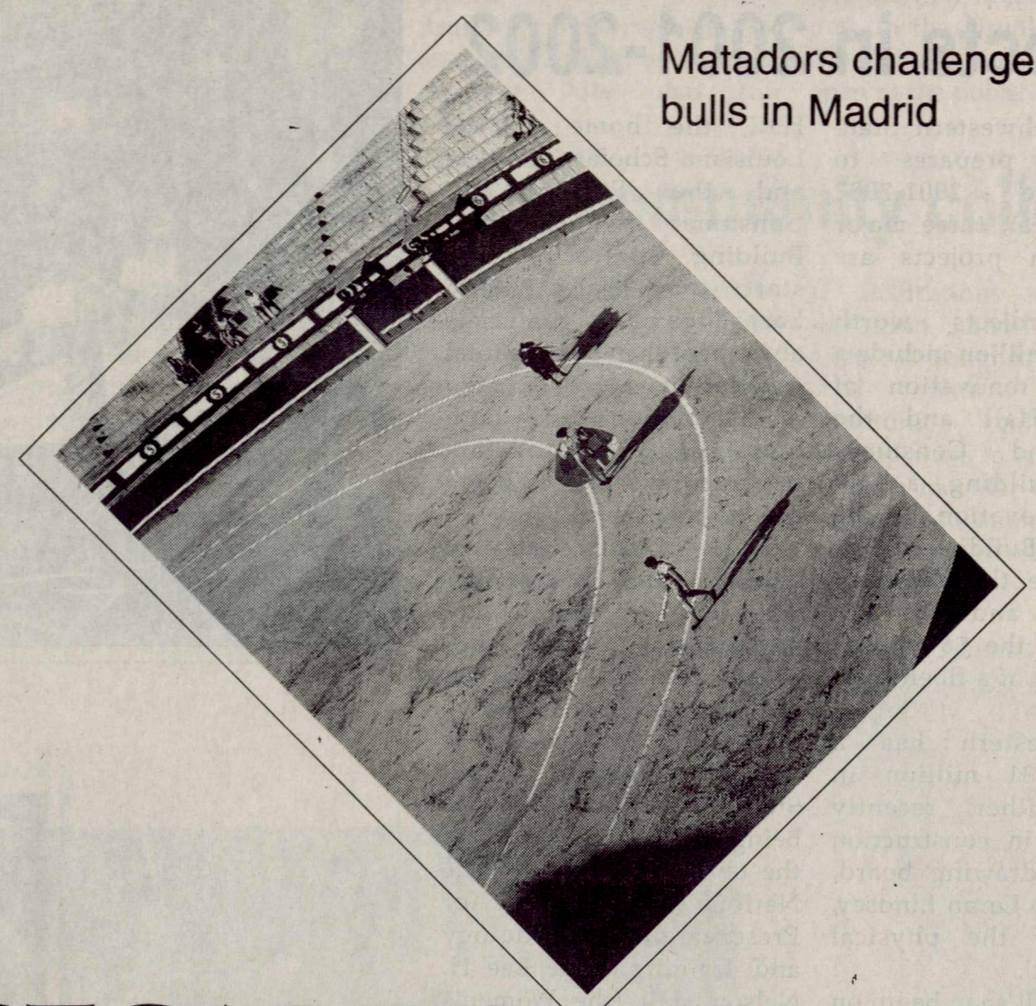
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Back to Life



So that's where St. Louis got it from?! The archway in front of the Plaza de Toros in Madrid



Matadors challenge the bulls in Madrid



NSU Students pose in front of the Plaza del Toros in Valencia

POSTCARDS FROM *España*

Current Suace reporter Jennifer Bocanegra spent her summer vacation traveling around Spain, and she shares her sights and photos with us.

by Jennifer Bocanegra
Sauce Reporter

Classes officially began on the bus coming from the Madrid airport when the teacher informed us that from that point on, for the next six weeks, we would only speak in Spanish.

The level of panic increased as the bus pulled up to the hotel where we met the Spanish families who would be taking care of us. I realized that once I stepped off of the bus, English would fade to the rear and Spanish would be the only language allowed in the house, during all classes, and on all of the NSU organized excursions. Culture shock set in knowing that I would have to spend everyday for the next few weeks surrounded by a language that I had not yet mastered.

This year, fifteen students elected to participate in Northwestern's Spanish Abroad Program. The program included four weeks of instruction at the Estudio Sampere school in Madrid and two addition weeks of travel around Spain and other European countries. While student's studied in Spain, they were required to live with Spanish families selected by the school and participate in several small trips to different parts of Spain's countryside.

The idea behind Professor Comfort Pratt-Panford's NSU in Spain program is to teach students the Spanish language through total emersion. "Here, the student is completely immersed, you are learning a new culture along with the language," said Pratt. Pratt also refers to this program as a +1 method of learning because students hear more of the language than they speak. "In order for a student to produce, they need to hear a lot of the language," Pratt said.

Even though Pratt says that her Spanish classes in Natchitoches are taught using Spanish, she thinks that students are at a disadvantage there without Spanish television to increase the exposure to the language. She says that the learning experience is enhanced with the students who travel here to Spain and attend the Estudio Sampere School. "When they come here, within a week, they learn a lot more than what they would learn in half a semester back home. First thing I ask them to

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The group gets a long-awaited lunch break at Olympic Stadium in Barcelona

PHOTOGRAPHY BY JENNIFER BOCANEGRA

Moving in with a new roomie? Keep these tips in mind before you unpack

Article courtesy Helen Turner

Excited about being on your own for the first time? Don't let the excitement of living with friends and having your first apartment cause you to overlook the financial particulars that come with having roommates.

While you and your roommates may share the same taste in sports and soap operas, you may find you're polar opposites when it comes to attitudes about spending and money.

By laying some ground rules you can help guarantee all roommates meet their financial obligations and ensure that you won't get stuck with more than your share of expenses. You may think these rules aren't necessary, especially if your roommate is a good friend. Think again! Many a friendship has fallen victim to arguments that arise because things weren't spelled out. In fact, rooming with friends actually makes it even more important that you work out an agreement ahead of time.

To reinforce the financial arrangements you've made, have all roommates sign an informal contract, advises Marian Latzko, author of "I Can Do It! A Micropedia of Living on Your Own." The contract should include how you'll split expenses, dates bills are due and whose name is on each bill, who owns which furniture, how you'll pay damage and late fees, chore and space-sharing agreements, and provisions for moving out.

Take a minute to check out these Roommate Survivor Tips. A little advance planning could save you big bucks down the road.

• Bills. Where will the money come form? Does the roommate have a job or will Moan and Dad pay for everything? The answer to this question will give you insight as to whether or not your prospective roommate can afford a certain living arrangement.

• The lease. "List all your roommates on the lease and have them all sign it," advises Beth Kobliner in her boo, "Get a Financial Life: Personal Finance in Your Twenties and Thirties." *cont'd on page 8*

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Students, staff writer share thier experiences of their trip to Spain

do, is to find a Spanish friend, someone around your age so that you have similar interests. Constant communication is important," Pratt said.

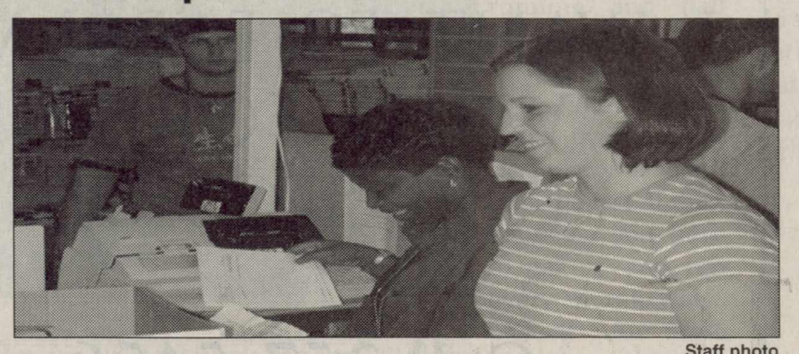
Students who opted to make a trip across the Atlantic Ocean did so with the hopes of bringing their Spanish speaking skills up a notch. "I have always wanted to learn Spanish and this seemed like a great opportunity to do it instead of spending my summer working," Michael Callac, an NSU senior, said. "I wanted to experience the Spanish culture. I wanted to learn Spanish from the Spaniards," said Kristy McDaniel, an NSU junior.

As the amount of students who were willing to participate in the program increased, Pratt was able to bring the price down from the original $4,000 to $3,800 plus spending money. Pratt also says that she was able to include extra school sponsored weekend trips. "This year, with increased participation, students were able to visit sites such as; a Fashion show in Valencia, Flamenco Dancing in Grenada, the Olympic Stadium in Barcelona, and much more, " Pratt said.

Pratt says that her goal for next year is to gain more sponsors for the program so that she can lower the price even further. She also says that she would like to increase the participation level to 25 students and possibly another instructor.

University bookstore reopens as Barnes & Noble

Mindy Mixon
Sauce reporter



Staff photo

Bookstore employees Allison Duplechin and Latonya Cofield greet students at the new NSU bookstore

Subtle changes adorn the new Barnes and Noble university bookstore on campus this semester. In addition to selling university textbooks the new management added a coffee house, a Louisiana culinary section and an expanded book selection.

Northwestern selected Barnes and Noble after Wallace's Bookstores Inc. and Wallace's Book Co. filed Chapter 11 petitions in U.S. Bankruptcy Court in Wilmington, Delaware on Feb. 28. Barnes and Noble is a $4.4 billion bookstore currently operating more than 350 campus bookstores.

Store manager Karen Longino explains that "the focus of the bookstore is putting books on the shelf for the students. We plan on increasing our supply of used books which in turn will make us more competitive with competing bookstores."

Promotional stints for the fall semester include a live remote with KZBL and several other local venders in the Student Union .

Renovations are still in progress with the goal of "creating a more relaxed enviroment for the students and possibly draw in people from around the community," said Longino.



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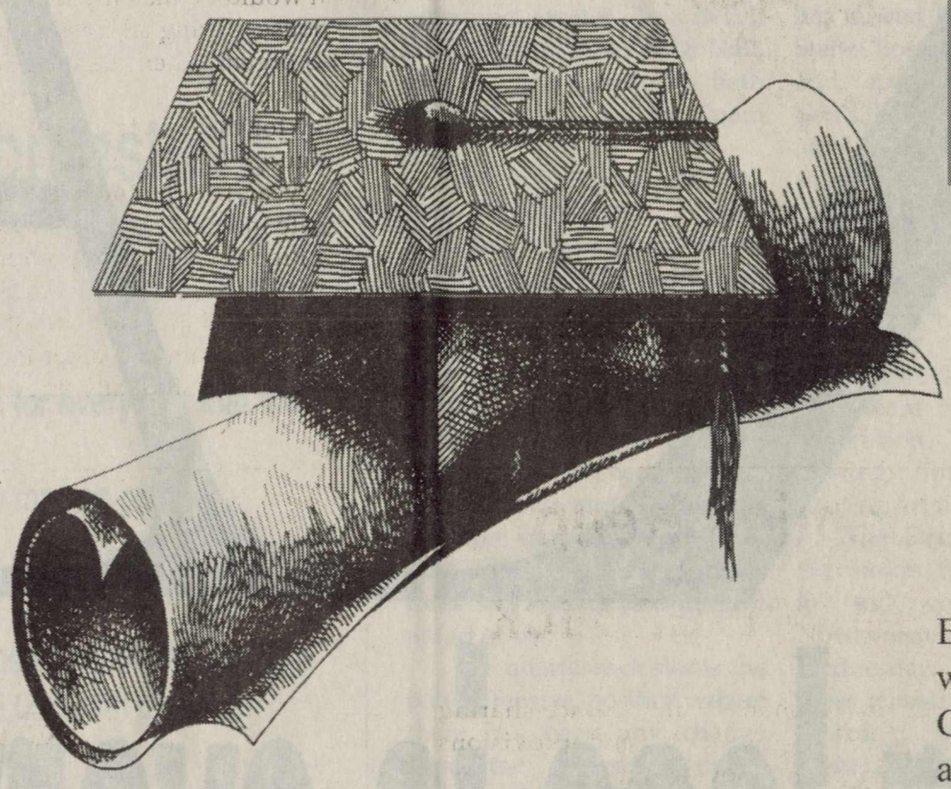
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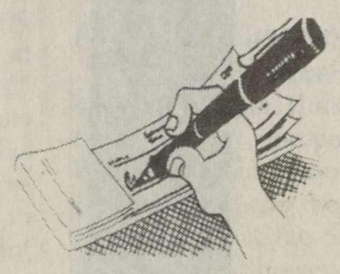
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NSU ROTC program will offer couses to LSU-A, Louisiana College

Northwestern State University is partnering with Louisiana College and Louisiana State University at Alexandria to make Army ROTC programs available to more college students. Beginning this fall, students at Louisiana College and LSUA can attend Army ROTC classes at their current institution or other partnership locations.

NSU will provide instructors for the Alexandria-area ROTC Program. Northwestern's ROTC program is ranked among the top 20 percent of programs in the nation. The rankings are based on historical and projected future success in program enrollment and commissioning officers into the Army.

The highly successfully program has in no small part been the result of an excellent leadership training coupled with the diverse and rigorous academic offerings of our partner colleges and universities. That makes an unbeatable combination," said Lt. Col. Claton Chandler, the ROTC Battalion Commander at Northwestern. "Our cadets are challenged both physically and mentally which generates individual success, satisfaction, and excitement to be a student and member of an ROTC program."

Chandler said having two separate locations in the Alexandria area will provide flexibility and convenience for students and partnership schools. Students can attend class in a location that compliments their school schedules or across town nearer to their after school work location. These partner school also enjoy the flexibility of being able to combine smaller classes.

According to Chandler, the program is tailored for both two and four-year schools.

"This program will have a great impact on the ability of Alexandria students to continue their education beyond the associate degree level and gain a commission in the Army Reserve, Army National Guard, or Active Army," said Chandler.

"Upon graduation or transfer, students attending a two-year college or university will be eligible to transfer their Army ROTC credits to any of 270 universities nationwide that also offer an Army ROTC Program. Students attending Louisiana College will be able to complete the ROTC program at that institution."

Chandler said ROTC programs instill other intangible attributes that will help both LSUA and Louisiana College.

"There is a strong desire to excel and a camaraderie that is like a family," said Chandler. "ROTC cadets tend to be more self-confident and have better interpersonal skills than the average student. The program's emphasis on leadership allows the cadets to solve large, complex problems. Their success breeds success."

Students enrolled in the program are also eligible to compete for two, three, and four-year scholarships. These scholarships can be worth up to $9,500 annually for students attending schools in Alexandria-Pineville. These scholarships provide money for tuition and academic fees. An additional scholarship benefit includes an annual $600 book allowance. ROTC scholarship winners also receive a tiered, tax-free allowance of $250-$350 a month based on classification. The allowance is for up to 10 months.

For more information on Louisiana College or LSUA ROTC programs, call Chandler at (800) 217-6045 or email chandler@nsula.edu, Dr. Ben Hawkins at (318) 487-7601 or email hawkins@lacollege.edu or Dr. Henry Robertson (318) 427-4483 or email henryr@pc01.lsua.edu.

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Roomates need to know ground rules

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• Phone. If separate phone lines aren't an option, ask if your phone company can assign a long-distance access code to each roommate. Or consider that a cell phone with a generous minutes allowance may be more economical than paying long distance rates. If you and your roommates all have cell phones, you may want to forgo a landline altogether and just split the cost for direct Internet service.

• Food. There are two basic rules when it comes to food: communicate and set ground rules. Will you split the cost of household supplies, like toilet paper and dishwasher detergent? Can you agree about how to share other staples, like milk? A commonsense agreement is preferable to labeling every apple.

• Chores. Discuss who will do what chores-and how often. Mismatched "slob" and "neat freak" roommates are destined to clash unless they forge a compromise in advance.

• Guest and Music. Decide whether there will be a curfew for guests on schools nights. Can you study with loud music and voices or do you require quiet? And what about sleepovers? Are occasional overnight guests okay? But about waking up to a houseful of people? And what if you or your roommate should want another person to move in? Spell out what each of you deem acceptable for music, guests and conditions for accepting another roommate.

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Girls Can Play, Too

By Elona Boggs
Sports Editor

When Carolyn McInnis started playing soccer in the third grade, her twin sister, Christy decided to play, too.

"Carolyn wanted to play soccer and I wanted to be a girl scout. I thought soccer would be boring," Christy said. "I watched her play her first game and I changed my mind."

The twins, from Dallas, played on the same team throughout school and continued the trend last year when they decided to attend NSU on a soccer scholarship. Carolyn plays with the offensive team, and Christy plays as a goalie.

"I still can't believe I am at a Division I school playing soccer, when all I've ever played is recreational ball," Christy said. "That, to me, is pretty cool."

At first, the girls were reluctant about attending the same school.

"We're pretty competitive in both soccer and academics," Carolyn said. "My mom thought Christy and I would get along real well and become best friends, but we rarely even saw each other except in practice and at the cafeteria."



File Photo

Christy and Carolyn McInnis came to NSU from Dallas in 2000. Christy plays goalie, while Carolyn is a member of the offensive team.

Christy and Carolyn agree that grueling pre-season practice is the hardest part of the sport. Pre-season consists of three practices a day and a series of fitness tests.

"If we weren't together, I don't think I would have made it through pre-season," Christy said.

Players spend their summer vacations preparing for pre-season. They are sent a schedule of exercises to do – weight training, running and ball work.

"It is very, very hard and if you don't train in the summer, you won't pass the test. If that happens, you have to get up and run every morning at 6 o'clock for two miles at least," Carolyn said.

This year, the soccer team is hoping their work will pay off. In 2000, the girls won the regular conference season and SLC tournament title. This year, they plan on doing the same.

"We want to go back and we will go back," Carolyn said.

The team hopes to get more support from fans this season. Christy and Carolyn can't understand why there is a lack of support for women's sports at NSU, especially soccer. They suspect it's because their season conflicts with football.

"It helps when you have fans out there. If no one showed up for a football game, I'm sure they wouldn't do very well," Carolyn said. "It bothers us that we did so well last year and we didn't draw that many people. Yeah, we're girls, but yeah, we can play."

2001 Soccer Roster

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Nellie Latiolais
Christy McInnis
Brittany Hung
Hillarie Marshall
Missy Payne
Bryndie Maag
Nina Myullyluoma
Katie Priest
Shannon Tenney
Rachel Villio
Shawna Bailey
Yvonne Ortiz
Kathryn Latiolais
Jill Lowe
Britiany Cargill
Jennifer Robbins
Tenille Fogel
Nikki Hernandez
Anna Howard
Jacquai Lawrence
Kate Tsakanikas
Romy Marroquin
Carolyn McInnis
Danielle Thomas
Danielle Moss
Erin Hayman

2001 Demon Soccer Home Schedule:

September 5 - Centenary @ 5 p.m.
September 9 - Tulane @ 2 p.m.
September 19 - Louisiana-Monroe @ 5 p.m.
September 21 - McNeese State @ 5 p.m.
September 23 - Stephen F. Austin @ 2 p.m.
October 10 - LSU @ 5 p.m.
October 12 - Southwest Texas @ 4 p.m.
October 19 - Nicholls State @ 4 p.m.
October 21 - Southeastern Louisiana @ 2 p.m.

Sports Briefs

Southern Tickets

A limited number of tickets for the Sept. 1 Northwestern State football game at Southern University in Baton Rouge are available at the NSU Ticket Office, along with tickets for the Demons' Sept. 22 game at TCU in Fort Worth.

Tickets for the game at Southern are $16 each. Tickets for the TCU contest are $21 apiece. The seats are located together in an NSU section for both games, said ticket manager Roxanne Freeman, who can be reached at 318-357-4268 during business hours.

Las Vegas and Hawaii trips

Reservation deadlines are quickly approaching for trips to Las Vegas and Hawaii built around Coach Mike McConathy and his Northwestern State University basketball team's late November schedule.

The NSU Alumni Association is sponsoring the trip from Nov. 19-22, when the Demons, coming off an NCAA Tournament appearance last year, play in the Last Vegas Invitational along with TCU, Oklahoma State, UTEP, Providence and Austin Peay.

The Las Vegas trip costs $551 per person and includes airfare from Shreveport to Las Vegas, three nights of double occupancy hotel accommodations at the Paris Casino Hotel.

NSU fans can travel to Hawaii to watch the Demons in a Nov. 27 game against Hawaii. The trip, which costs $823 per person, includes six days and five nights from Nov. 23-28. It also includes five nights of double occupancy lodging at the Radisson Waikiki Prince Kuhio hotel, along with round trip airfare from Shreveport to Honolulu. Events on the island and tickets for the game are included in the cost.

For more information on these trips, call 357-4414.

Foundation Luncheon

Coach Steve Roberts is the featured speaker Thursday at the annual Independence Bowl Foundation NSU Kickoff Luncheon beginning at 11:45 a.m. at the Sheraton Pierremont in Shreveport.

Reservations for the $12 lunch are requested and can be made by calling the bowl office at 221-0712.

Roberts, who led the Demons to a 6-5 finish last fall, returns 16 starters including 10 on defense.

Three Shreveport-Bossier products, qaurterback Ben Beach, tailback Jeremy Lofton and defensive tackle Herchel Monroe, will be among the key performers for Northwestern this fall.

Few changes on Demon depth chart after scrimmage

Staff Reports

There are few changes but plenty of tight races on the Northwestern State football depth chart in the wake of Demons' major preseason scrimmage last Saturday.

With the Sept. 1 season opener at Southern just 10 days away, some starting positions won't be decided until next week, notably the quarterback's job, where returning starter Ben Beach and LSU transfer Craig Nall, like Beach a senior, are both listed as No. 1 on the depth chart.

"We are very pleased with our quarterback play, including (third-team junior) Kevin Magee. We'll go through the week of practice and continue to evaluate them," said second-year coach Steve Roberts. "Obviously once we get into game week preparations we need to hone in on our plan and one guy will get more snaps than the other, but we still could play both. those are decisions we have ahead of us."

The quarterback slot is the only offensive position where there has been any change from the preseason depth chart, although Roberts said there is strong competition at center between Darrell Johnson and Ryan Porter and at one guard slot between Zach Rogers and Justin Brown.

"Competition is nothing but good for our football team," he said. "We have more depth up front than we did coming out of spring because some young men worked very hard to improve this summer."

On defense, there were two changes in the projected starting lineup after the 50-play conference Saturday.

Sophomore Jeremy Hebert has moved ahead of classmate Stefon Bostick at one defensive end spot. Sophomore Eric Louis has slipped in front of junior Darryl Lacy at strong safety.

"Again, these are very competitive situations, and at this stage that's how it stands," Roberts said. "We will evaluate everybody through this practice week. There are some third-team guys who are in contention for significant playing time and that is exciting for us."

The Demons worked for two hours Tuesday afternoon in full gear. Classes at Northwestern begin Wednesday. The team has a dress rehearsal game Saturday morning, simulating game scenarios, before taking Sunday off and beginning game week workouts for Southern next Monday.

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Substance did not contribute to college player Wheeler's death

Blood test results released Monday found a banned stimulant in the system of Northwestern University football player Rashidi Wheeler, but the Cook County's medical examiner concluded the substance did not contribute to the player's Aug. 3 death on a school practice field.

Cook County Medical Examiner Edmund Donoghue said Wheeler, a lifelong asthmatic, died from a "classic case of exercise-induced asthma."

The ruling came as Evanston police reports disclosed that Wheeler and three teammates who collapsed at a workout that day allegedly took a performance-enhancing substance banned in college football. Michael Rose, an intern trainer, told an Evanston detective just hours after Wheeler's death that "these players were taking the same dietary supplements as the victim."

The police report identified two of the players as Brandon Evans and Kevin Lawrence. Lawrence, a senior running back, was Wheeler's roommate. Evans is a junior who played mostly on special teams last season.

Rose was unable to identify the third player, according to the report. Evans and Lawrence, who are practicing with the team in Kenosha, could not be reached. A spokesman for the athletic department said Monday that the players were made aware of the statements contained in the police reports and likely would not discuss them.

While Donoghue's ruling appears to clear up the role of ephedrine in Wheeler's death, it adds to the ongoing debate about the football drill and-- coupled with the fresh police accounts of what happened that day-- it adds to questions about how many NU players take banned supplements.

Donoghue said that based on blood tests and police accounts, he believed the ephedrine found in Wheeler's system came from a supplement and not from an asthma medication. He said Wheeler used an L-shaped asthma inhaler, which did not contain ephedrine.

According to police reports, head football trainer Tory Aggeler "stated that he was informed that several players, including the victim, were taking dietary supplements to enhance their performance on the field."

Aggeler obtained containers of Ultimate Punch, a supplement banned by the National Collegiate Athletic Association, and of Xenedrine, a dietary supplement also banned by the NCAA, from an unidentified Northwestern player and gave them to police detectives shortly after Wheeler died, according to the police reports.

Donoghue said the amount of the stimulants in Wheeler's system was below lethal levels. "It was in the amount you would expect to see in a person who took the recommended dosage," he said.

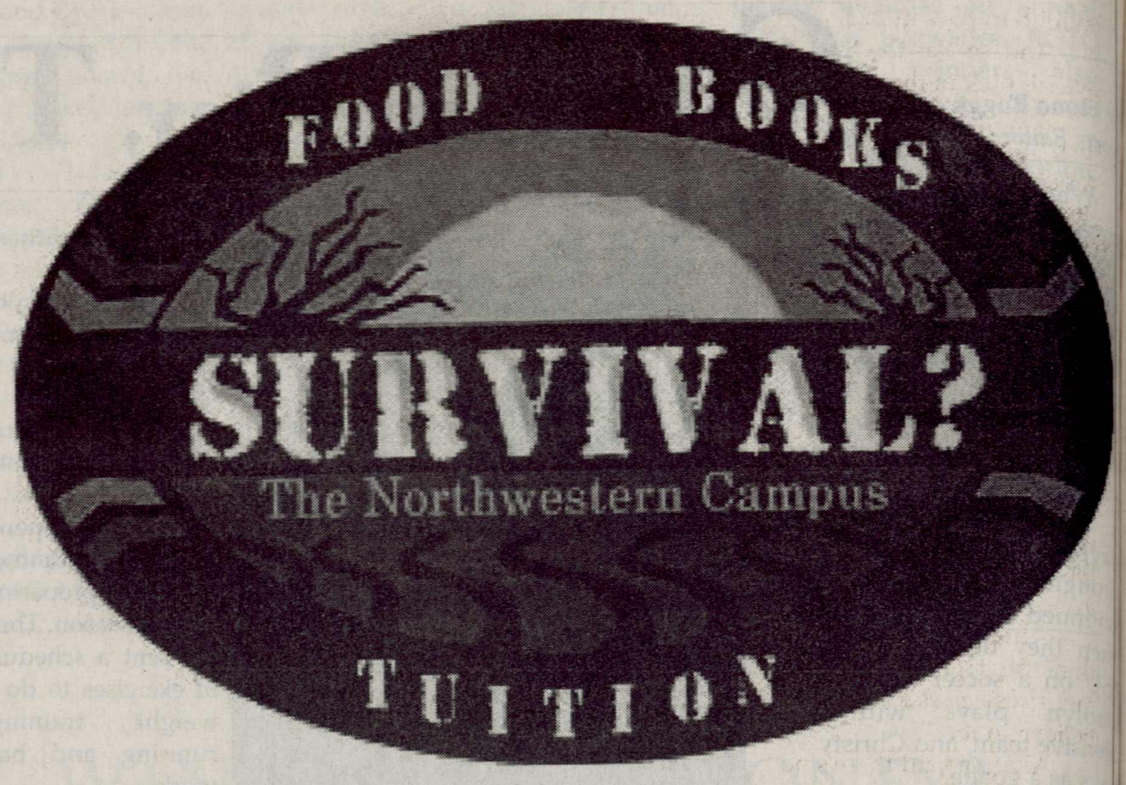
The supplement in question contains ma huang, which is an herbal ephedrine, and guarana, another energy-enhancing herbal product. While Ultimate Punch and other supplements are available over the counter, ephedrine is banned by the NCAA.

Previously, a Northwestern player had said he witnessed players taking a dietary supplement before the workout and another player said that he heard teammates talking about using the stimulant Ultimate Orange, which is similar to Ultimate Punch. The university has said it was investigating use of such substances by football players.

The university discourages the use of dietary supplements, and in a handbook given to all athletes, suggests they consult a trainer before taking any.

NCAA athletes who are found to have taken banned drugs could lose their college eligibility.

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Cowboys turn to rookie quarterback this season

Troy Aikman, 0-11 as a rookie quarterback in 1989, said there were times when he wondered if he was good enough to play in the NFL.

And he was the No.1 overall pick in the draft.

Now, it's Quincy Carter's turn to see if he can turn America's Team into a champion. Carter, a second-round pick, became the Cowboys' starting quarterback Tuesday, when the club released veteran Tony Banks.

"I've listened to the predictions. Some people said I'd never be a starting quarterback in this league," Carter said. "The important thing for me to remember is that this is a job I'm being paid to do.

"I'm going to work hard. I think my teammates respect me. These guys know they can believe in me."

Aikman said there's no comparison to being a college quarterback and playing in the NFL.

Aikman passed for 1,749 yards with nine touchdowns, 18 interceptions and a 55.7 rating as a rookie. He survived another rough season in 1990 before leading Dallas to a championship in 1992.

"I think I was as prepared as I could be with the background I had in college and the training I had before the season opener," Aikman said. "But it was like an entirely different league when I lined up in that first game.

"There's a reason why almost every rookie quarterback except Dan Marino has struggled as a rookie. Dan was playing for a team that was coming off a trip to the Super Bowl, so he had a much different supporting cast than most young quarterbacks."

In 1983, Marino passed for 2,210 yards with 20 touchdowns and six interceptions as a rookie. He had a quarterback rating of 96.

It was Carter's strong performance in the Cowboys' first preseason game against Oakland that helped convince owner Jeragainst Tampa Bay on Sept. 9. Carter, playing against Oakland's second team, completed 9-of-15 passes for 167 yards with two touchdowns.

He was 6-of-11 for 48 yards against Denver last week.

"The thing I find so amusing is that people want to read so much into two preseason games," Aikman said. "We were 3-1 in the preseason my rookie year, and I played pretty well, but the speed of play in the preseason is nowhere close to what it is in the regular season, and teams don't show you anything that they're going to do in the regular season.

"The opener is the toughest game of all because everyone is cranked up because they want to get off to a good start. You get a lot of things thrown at you. I used to see things as 12-year veteran that I hadn't seen before." Aikman went 7-19 his first two seasons with 20 touchdowns and 36 interceptions, but it made him appreciate winning.

"I had two people -- (quarterbacks coach) Jerry Rhome and (backup quarterback) Babe Laufenberg -- that wouldn't allow me to lose confidence," said Aikman, "because there were plenty of times that I walked off the field and I didn't know if I'd ever win a game.

"I'm pretty strong mentally, and I was able to endure that. A lot of quarterbacks who are thrown into that situation don't ever recover."

History suggests rookie quarterbacks have little chance for success in the NFL because it takes time for young quarterbacks to read defenses and understand the nuances of the pro game.

Of the nine current starting quarterbacks in the league who started a majority of their teams' games as rookies, only three threw more touchdown passes than interceptions.
Drew Bledsoe, Kerry Collins, Tim Couch, Jeff George and Peyton Manning were all selected in the top five.
Detroit's Charlie Batch, who had 11 touchdown passes and six interceptions, was the only starter with a quarterback rating of more than 80.

FSU's Boldin Lost For Season with knee injury

The Florida State football team will play this season without Anquan Boldin, the player Coach Bobby Bowden regards as his "biggest playmaker."

A magnetic resonance imaging exam conducted on Monday revealed a torn anterior cruciate ligament in Boldin's left knee.

"I couldn't believe it," said starting flanker Atrews Bell. "We didn't think it was that bad. He was walking around and everything. When we heard the news it was just real devastating."

Boldin, a junior from Pahokee, will have surgery in three weeks, and will redshirt this season, leaving him two years of eligibility.

Florida State coaches feared the worst after Boldin sustained his injury on an end-around during a full-contact scrimmage Saturday at Doak Campbell Stadium. After two plays on the sidelines, Boldin lined up at split end and cut during a running play. Untouched, his knee buckled and he fell to the turf.

The team will enter the season with just five scholarship receivers on its roster -- returning players Bell, Talman Gardner and Javon Walker -- and freshmen Craphonso Thorpe and P.K. Sam.

One week ago starting split end Robert Morgan incurred season-ending ligament tears in his left knee. Morgan's absence prompted coaches to move Boldin from quarterback to receiver, where he had 41 receptions for 664 yards last year.

"I really just wanted to be there for the team this year," Boldin said. "I was looking forward to having a big season this year."

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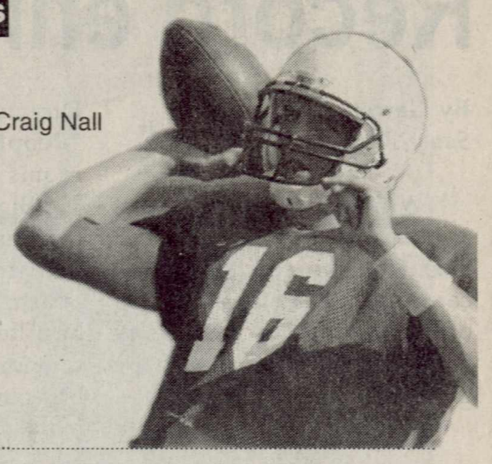
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Budget Office Predicts $9 Billion Dip Into Social Security To Cover Deficit

Disputing President Bush's budget figures, the non-partisan Congressional Budget Office estimated Monday that the administration will be forced to use Social Security funds for three of the next four years to pay for its tax cut and other administration priorities.

In the fiscal year ending Sept. 30, the CBO said the government would have to use $9 billion from the Social Security trust fund to meet spending obligations. The fund, now running huge surpluses, would have to be tapped again in 2003 and 2004, the budget office said.

Educators Warn Of Degree Fads

Engineering and computer science degrees are as hot as ever despite the dot-com bust, but a quieter concern is smoldering at some Texas universities.

Liberal arts programs at many schools have been declining or holding steady for years, and fields like English and history have had to struggle for funding and students, said Marshall Hill, assistant commissioner for universities at the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board in Austin.

"The national rhetoric is that higher education is a place to prepare people for the work force," Hill said. "The core curriculum is becoming increasingly more practically oriented than liberal arts-based, and work-readiness is stressed during the last two years."

Officials Investigate Age Of "Baby Bombers' Ace

The Baby Bombers' star pitcher may not be a baby after all.

Little League officials announced they are investigating whether southpaw sensation Danny Almonte was a ringer after a document surfaced Monday suggesting he's 14 -- not 12, as the Rolando Paulino All-Stars say.

Team officials, who have been fending off accusations that Almonte is overage, insisted again the boy with the 77 mph fastball is 12. So did his mother.

"It's a lie," Almonte's mother, Sonia Rojas, 27, told the Daily News in a telephone interview yesterday from her home in the Dominican Republic. "People are jealous of what my son has done. . . . If he hadn't been so successful, we wouldn't even be talking about this."

Almonte's mother was denied a visa to come see her son play because she couldn't produce his birth certificate.

University enrollment reaches new record high

By Garrett Guillotte
Sauce Reporter

The University's enrollment figures overcame the implementation of selective admissions and is expected to break last year's record number of freshmen and enrolled students.

While final enrollment figures are not due until September, Admissions Director Jana Lucky said that over 9,500 students are currently registered for classes, a 1.5percent increase from last year.

"In this industry, there's sort of a... gris-gris we don't want to put on it," Lucky said. "But indicators are really good. It's sure to be a major record."

"The final numbers are expected to fluctuate due to last-minute registrations and the removal of students that have not paid from the count," Lucky said.

However, she also said that the number of students that have already paid compared to this time last year is up by twelve percent, indicating that fewer students than expected will drop from the official sum.

Lucky said that the greatest obstacle to improving recruitment this year was the introduction of selective admissions to the University's admissions policies.

"Most people expected selective admissions to reduce the numbers," Lucky said. "We just hit it as an added strategy and just used it that way."

The introduction of LSU-A as a four-year institution is expected to be the University's next major recruitment hurdle, Lucky said.

Nonetheless, she added that a new recruitment model focused on personal attention is "set-up and ready to roll."

Fall Enrollment 1996-2001

1996 - 9037 students

1997 - 8271 students

1998 - 8572 students

1999 - 9005 students

2000 - 9292 students*

2001 - ????

*Denotes record enrollment

Where Am I?



Photo by Rachael Kidd

Freshman Michael Futrell is lost because of poor directions and a not-so "up-to-par" campus map. This problem has been noticed by new students all week long. There have been many reports of students not knowing where building number 81,Kyser hall, is. This has been brought to the attention of the SGA and the problem should be taken care of soon.

Poor directions, lost students

The problem of students simply getting lost on campus

By Laura Terrell
Sauce Reporter

"There are so many groups and organizations that visit this campus that can't find their way around."

Reatha Cox
Director of New Student Programs

It's a well-known fact that freshmen have a hard time finding their way around campus.

So why is it that the only way to find your class is to ask around or search on an outdated map?

Freshman Mike McCorkle said he doesn't even know where the library is.

"It'd be great to actually know where I was going," McCorkle said.

The Current Sauce suggested the SGA produce on-campus directories, like the ones you see in the mall that read "You Are Here."

SGA President Rusty Broussard said it was feasible, but it may take two weeks to get it approved by the board.

Visible directories are not all that is needed.

Reatha Cox, Director of News Student Programs, is in the process of having legible, hand-held maps put together for any and all students who need them.

"There are so many groups and organizations that visit this campus that can't find their way around," Cox said.

Even after revising an old map for the Freshman Connection handbook, it is still difficult to read the fine print.

"It may cost thousands of dollars to produce an updated map, but it is much needed and long overdue," Cox said.

When you're wandering around looking for your new classes next semester, perhaps there will be a few maps on hand to assist you.

Department of Industrial Technology gets accreditation

• With its accreditation, NSU now has all of its accreditable programs accredited

By Rondray Hill
Editor

The Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology granted the department of industrial and engineering technology national accreditation.

To describe what that feels like, department head Thomas Hall.

"It's wonderful," Thomas said. "It's like being the last name called at graduation and getting the most applause."

The applause comes from the University, since this award now makes all of NSU's accreditable programs accredited.

The ABET gave its approval to the department's associate of science in electronics technology program and bachelor of science in electronics engineering technology program, capping a three-year revamping process of the department.

"It's taken a long time and we wished it would have happened sooner," Hall said. It's kind of like the Good Housekeeping seal for colleges."

ABET has accredited nearly 2,300 engineering schools at over 500 universities. It is recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation.

"This is great news for our graduates," Hall said. "A lot of employers understand the importance of this. What this tells employers is that we've had people from outside the university say we're doing things right.

The department's accreditation was part of a five-year plan by NSU to have all of its eligible programs accredited.

"Our faculty, staff, students, alumni and friends have worked together for five years to reach this goal," University President Randall Webb said.

Happy Labor Day

The Current Sauce will not be printed next week in observance of the Labor Day Holiday.

We hope you have a safe and fun extended weekend

Record enrollment affects on housing and bookstore

By Garrett Guillotte
Sauce Reporter

While NSU enjoys another banner enrollment year two key components of campus life - the housing office and University Bookstore - cope with the growing student body.

"We're full," Housing Director Woody Blair said. "People who want private rooms can't get them."

Blair said all 2,200 beds in the dorms and 500 beds in the University Columns apartments are scheduled to be filled. His office was an unending carousel of students bringing issues that ranged from finding late-registering students rooms to arranging replacements of absent roommates.

When asked how the office was running, Blair laughed and said, "Nothing goes smoothly this time of year."

Outside the housing office, a poster on the new student programs office showed fifty Orientation 1010 classes. Faculty and staff from almost every department filled instructor positions.

Down the hall, the University Bookstore was steadily serving customers at four registers. Bookstore Manager Karen Longino said it had been even busier during the previous week.

"We had six registers open," Longino said. "There's been a noticed increase in business."

Longino said there had been no noticeable book shortage.

"We had anticipated for more students than last year," Longino said, although adding that the bookstore was "always gonna have a few titles that run out."

The bookstore's transition to becoming a Barnes and Nobles store was an added challenge, said Longino.

"I think it'll be a positive change," she said. "The possibilities with Barnes and Nobles are unlimited."

Louisiana Scholar's College finds troubles with campus renovations

By Garrett Guillotte
Sauce Reporter

The Louisiana Scholars' College's temporary move from renovation-slated Morrison Hall to incompletely-renovated South Hall is causing tempers to rise amongst faculty and student alike as delays complicate the process.

Renovations and hazardous material removal scheduled to start on Morrison Hall no later than Wednesday and work on South Hall, is expected to be completed in about three weeks.

LSC faculty are moving to room 115 in Watson Library for the interim, according to Dr. Betsy Cochran, Director of Scholars' College.

Watson's room 115 was formerly an electronic equipment storage room, said Cochran. It will host eight of the college's ten professors, its admissions coordinator, its secretary and Cochran herself , all sharing one phone line and four computers without Internet capabilities.

"I don't know where the system broke down," Cochran said. "I'm not in a position to blame. It seems to me that possibly some things, some of the early process could have been started before the [university] budget."

Nonetheless, the inconvenience of moving an entire college's faculty and staff into a storage room in Watson Library has upset Scholars' students and professors.

Dr. James Means, Scholar's professor of English, said, "The administrators, or the people who are supposed to be in charge of this university, didn't get South Hall ready for us in time for the beginning of the fall semester, which is what they should have done."

Means, one of the Scholars' faculty members working during the move to Morrison Hall in 1997, said, "There were all sorts of administrative snafus, as usual... It looks like we're running at least a month late."

"You never get anyone to really take the blame... That doesn't happen in Natchitoches, and if you'd lived here long you'd know that," Means said. "The great game in Natchitoches is incompetence followed by passing the buck."

The biggest hassle, Means said, is being disconnected from his students.

"There's been confusion over where our classes are going to be because they've been changing a couple times, and basically because we have no place to sit down," Means said.

"It's caused a lot of stress on the students and on us," Means said. "What is most frustrating about it is that it was all totally foreseeable and avoidable, and it wasn't foreseen and it wasn't avoided because people are not doing their jobs."

Stacie Cosby, a Scholars' College junior, related to Means' remarks.

"I'm uncertain where classes are," she said. "I don't even know where the faculty offices are. The places we do go to for class aren't guaranteed to be quiet, aren't guaranteed to be good study areas."

Lucky Sprowl, an NSU electrical foreman working at the site, said carpenters and painters have been working ten to twelve hours every day, and as often as seven days a week.

After painting and carpentry are complete, Sprowl said, a new fire alarm system must be installed on the first floor as well as carpeting.

At the physical plant utility office, Coordinator of Facilities W. K. Norman and Physical Plant Director Loren Lindsey stressed that much was being done to speed the South Hall renovations.

"Carpenters, painters, electricians, air conditioning people, really all of them have been busting their butts to try to make this thing come in on time," Lindsey said. "Our biggest delay... was finding the money."

"As soon as we finish this thing in the next three weeks, or whatever it may be, we'll move the people in their building," said Lindsey. "It just didn't get started as early as we'd like to have started."

Cochran said work started as early as April, but little could be done with offices still being used inside and without money provided by the budget. That money, said both Cochran and Lindsey, wasn't approved until the middle of July, at the beginning of the new fiscal year.

Brett Chiquet, a Scholars' College Senior, refused to accept Lindsey's explanation.

"If this University would get its act together, there wouldn't be these problems," he said. "The move will hurt my class work in the long run."

Cochran, however, urged students to be patient.

"These are the same guys who do the maintenance in the dorm and across campus," she said. "Crews may have not been available... They're busy all the time, all over campus to keep the campus running as smoothly as possible."

Still, Dr. Holly Stave, Scholars' Associate Professor of English, worries about the move's impact on one of Scholars' College's most promoted qualities to new students; its sense of community.

"I already do miss... the people talking in the halls and stopping by my office to chat," Stave said. "The timing could have worked out better."

Cochran said that the move to Watson Library is Scholars' College's fourth.

Scholars' College was originally located in Kyser Hall, but has been located in Russell Hall before its renovations in 1997, when Scholars' College was moved to Morrison Hall in what was originally a temporary agreement.

Russell Hall was given to a growing business department after renovations were completed, however, prompting university officials to plan renovations to Morrison Hall as well.

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Heat slows renovation of Kyser

By Bess Renfrow
Sauce Reporter

Kyser will have renovations done on its roof and a new air conditioning system will be put in.

This renovation should only take three months to complete.

Both the second floor and fourth floor roofs are being torn up. They will be replaced with an asphalt and felt combination.

The asphalt will be in a liquid state when poured on and the felt will be added at that time to allow a fusing of the materials. This process allows better protection against the elements.

Because of the extreme heat and the reaction of the materials, the workers have begun coming in at 3 a.m. and quitting around 9 a.m. They then return in the evening when it is cooler.

"We've repaired the roof so many times until it has become better, economically, to replace it."

Loran Lindsey
Director of the Physical Power Plant

The roof on Kyser was last replaced in 1983.

In the last few years it has begun to leak and cause damage to ceiling tiles and to equipment in the building.

"We've repaired the roof so many times until it has become better, economically, to replace it", Loran Lindsey, Director of the Physical Power Plant, said.

The air conditioning unit on the second floor will be replaced also. This replacement will be very difficult because the new unit must be lifted over the fourth floor and set down in the second.

The workers have set up a crane on the grass in front of Kyser to accomplish this task. The new air conditioning unit is set to arrive in early October.

Until then, the workers will roof up to the opening for the new air conditioning unit on the second floor and up to the strip it must travel over on the fourth floor.

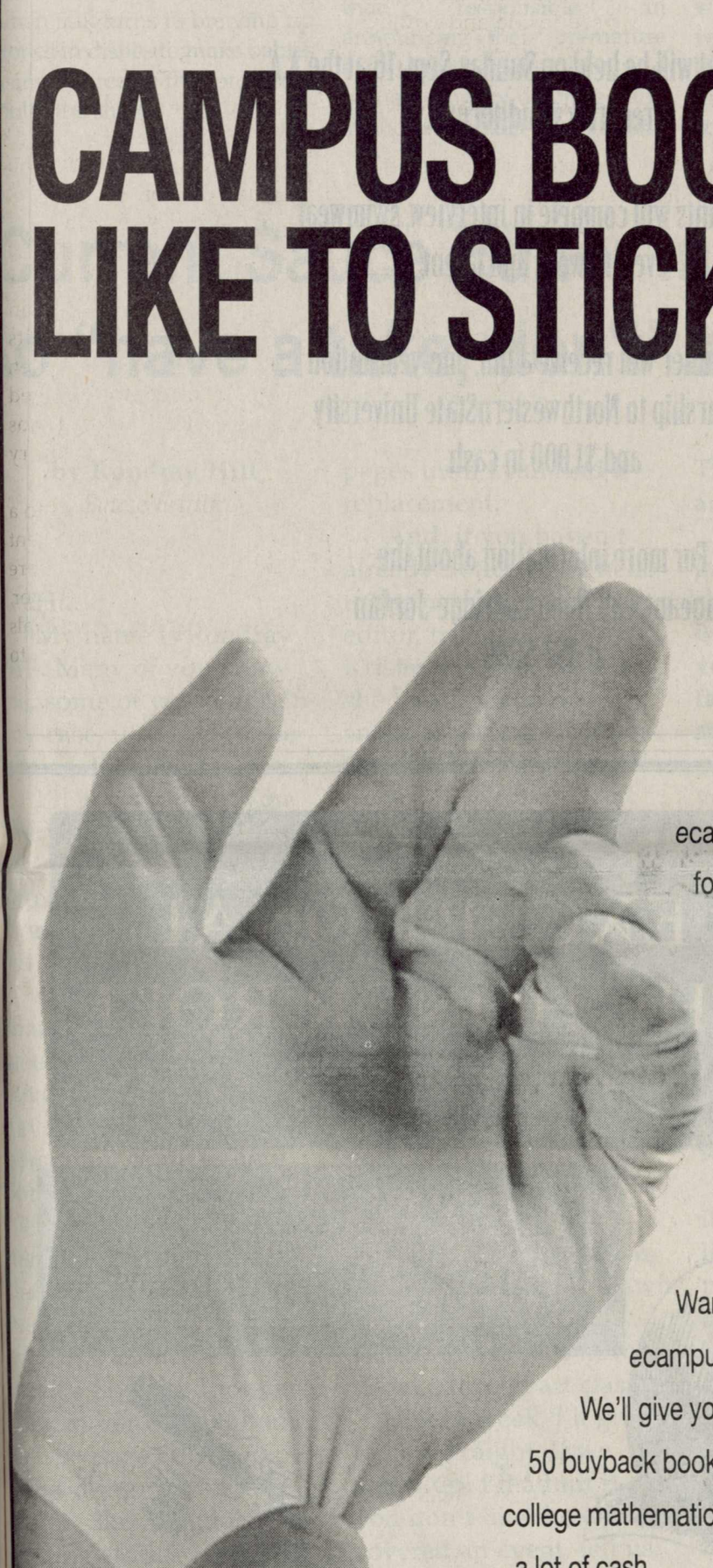
It costs the Physical Power Plant around $300,000 to replace the roof and air conditioning unit on Kyser. A state funded roofing program provided the money for the renovations.



Photo by Rachael Kidd

Recent renovations have been noticeable around campus, but none more noticeable than the project that is being done on Kyser Hall. The renovation is costing the University $300,000 and should be completed in three months time.

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Campus Connections

Circle K international
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Society of Professional Journalists
The Society of Professional Journalists will be conducting an informational meeting today 3:30 p.m. in room 107 of Kyser Hall. All majors are welcome.

Argus
The new editions of *Argus*, the NSU literary and art magazine, are ready and can be picked up for free in room 335 of Kyser hall.

Student Activities Board
The Office of Student Activities asks that all organizations submit photos of themselves so that they can be included in the film, "Skool Daze (at NSU)". This film will be presented to orientation students on September 10 and 11 in the ballroom. Organizations are asked to submit no more than 5 pictures by today. For more info call Kesha Phills at 357-6511 or by email at beshe@excite.com.

The Student Activities Board has positions open for 7 residence halls as well as the University Columns. There will also be three Rep-at-Large positions available to any full time student. You may pic up applications in room 214 of the Student Union. The application deadline is Friday, September 7 at 12 p.m.

NSU Club Soccer
NSU Club Soccer invites anyone who is interested in playing club soccer to their practices which are held behind Watson library at 5:00 Pm Monday through Friday and Sunday.

Spanish Club
The Spanish Club would like to invite potential members to its weekly meetings, every Wednesday at 3 p.m. in room 331 of Kyser Hall.

Catholic Student Organization
The CSO would like to announce the return of the 9:30 p.m. Student Mass. Everyone is welcome to attend our Wednesday fellowships at 6:30 p.m. followed by a free meal. Anyone interested in becoming a Eucharistic Server or Lector who could not attend the training session needs to contact Fr. Dan as soon as possible. Bible Study begins Tuesday, September 4 from 8p.m. to 9 p.m. in the new student center. Wednesday, September 5 is vespers and small group discussion. Anyone interested in music is invited to stay after fellowship for an informational. Saturday, September 8 is an officer day retreat from 10 a.m. to 4 p.. Lunch is provided and we will conclude the day together with mass. Contact Amy Dowden at 352-2615 if there are any questions.

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For more information about the
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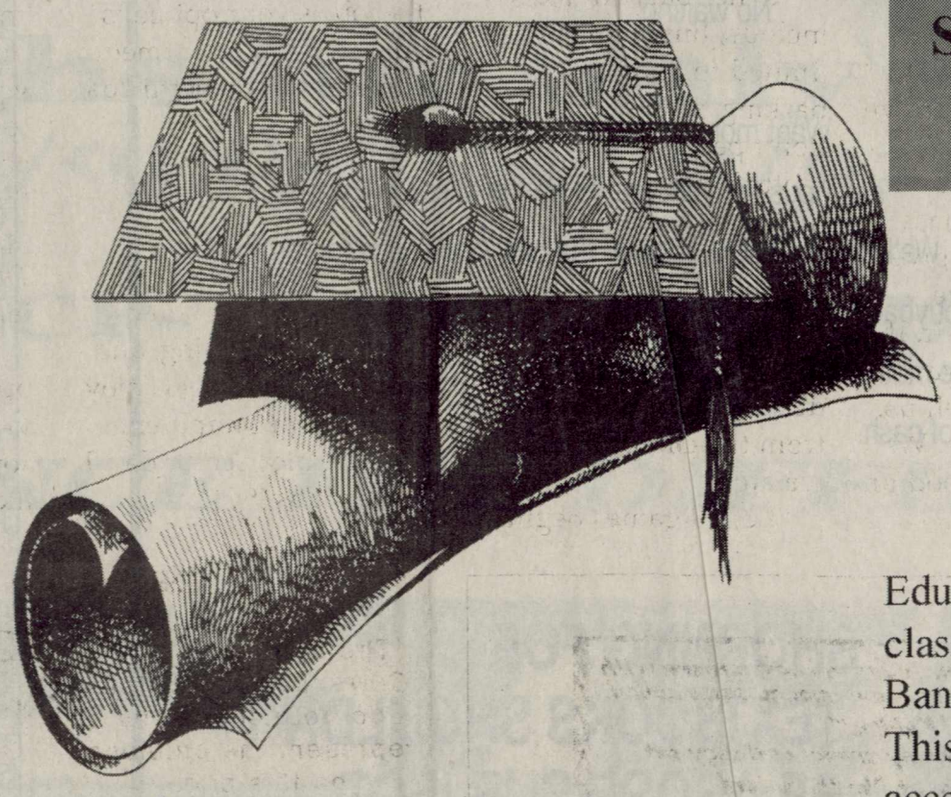
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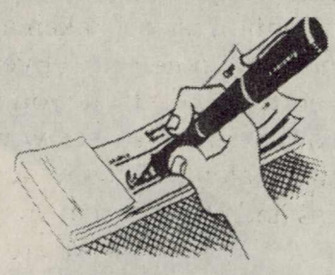
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Ban on cloning not enough

by **Arthur Caplan**
Knight-Ridder Tribune

The House of Representatives has passed a bill that would outlaw not only human cloning but also any attempt to make embryos using cloning techniques.

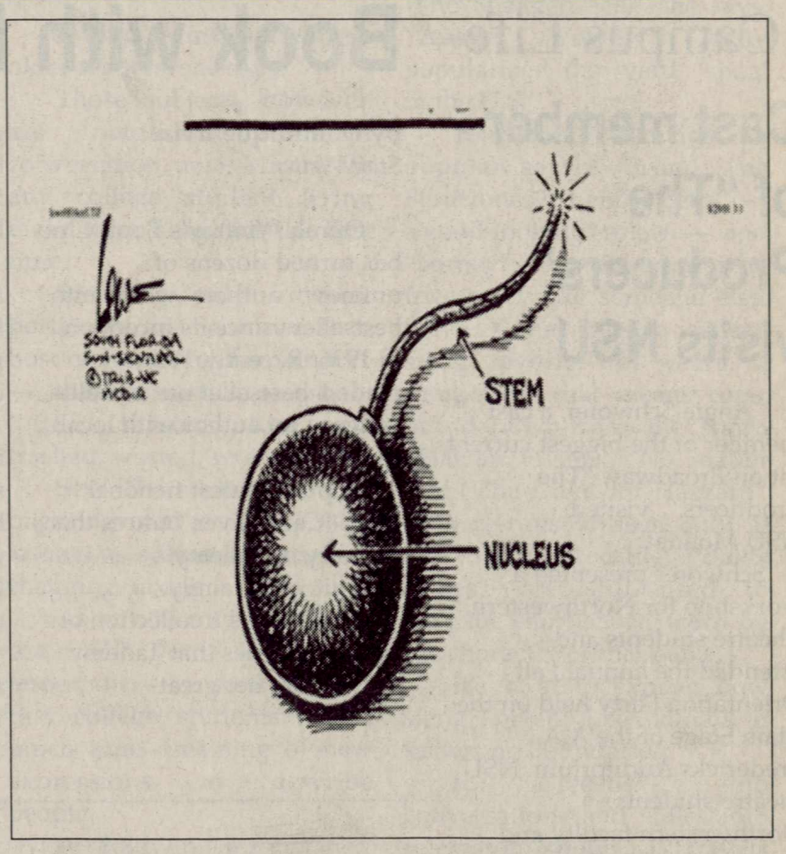
Many Americans share the moral revulsion that talk of cloning evokes. The yuck factor runs especially strong when talk turns to brewing up clones in dishes to make babies using the recipe that produced Dolly the sheep.

There are hundreds of reasons to push for a ban on cloning to make human beings: the many deformed, stillborn, diseased and dead animals made on the way to Dolly.

To date, only a few species — sheep, pigs, cows, mice, an ox and the rare ox like gaur — have been cloned. While the media have been keen to announce their various birthdates, they have been less than responsible in announcing their premature exits to the hereafter. Also, add in the dozens of deformed and stillborn animals that cloning has also produced, and you begin to get a picture that cloning is absolutely and indisputably unsafe to try on humans. Until more animal work proves otherwise, a ban is the right thing to do.

There is yet another problem with broad bans against cloning. Biology is not done yet with trying out its new power to make clones. Some scientists are now working on a technique in which instead of coring out DNA from a cell in your skin or mouth and sticking it into a cored-out human egg, they will transfer the contents of the egg around the DNA.

Question: Does moving things in the other direction constitute cloning? What if scientists try, as they most certainly will, to transfer not all the DNA used in cloning from a cell from your hand or foot but half the genes from your skin cells and the other half from a cell taken from another body. What if they only use cells to clone from people who are dead? What if they use one chromosome each from 46 different people to build a genome and cloned that?



Current Sauce Editor invites you to "have a take, don't' suck"

by Rondray Hill
Sauce Editor

Hi.

My name is Rondray Hill. Many of you know me, some of you don't. In any case, it's good to see you again.

I'll be writing to you every week, keeping you up to date on happenings here at the *Sauce*, as well as giving you some of my opinions.

We've had some changes here in the past week. Many of you may have noticed that there have been a few personnel changes here. Some of the staff members have been juggled around to places that suit them best. Let me explain.

First, Elona Boggs, last week's Sports editor, is back at her normal home as Life page editor. Expect great things on the Life pages. She has a talent for finding stories and story telling.

Yours truly will be managing the Sports pages until I can find a replacement.

And, if you haven't already noticed, say hello to the new Opinions page editor, true freshman Kristen Dauzat. We know she hasn't taken many snaps as a starter, but we feel she has the potential to be a first-round draft pick and possible All-American. She's been talking to agents, and some say she could even be a low first-round draft pick. Enough sports talk.

I would also like you to check out the new cartoon that will be running every week called "Kiddies," drawn by the talented sophomore art major Jenna Hickman. Hard to believe the cartoon drawn below was done by someone who has never taken a formal art class.

Every week, I'll give it to you straight. If we screw up, I'll admit it. If you don't like the way we covered an event, tell us. We are not sensitive. We take all criticism, good or bad, and listen to it. That's why our email addresses are listed.

Now, there are some ground rules. As talk show host Jim Rome would say, all we ask of you is that you have a take, and that it does not suck.

That means spare us your "I hate greeks" or "parking stinks" take. Chances are if you're not greek, you probably hate them. We know this already.

And, yes, parking stinks. It will always stink. It will get worse, it will not go away, and we are not the only campus where parking stinks.

Other banned takes include, but are not limited to, 'too many parking tickets", "why don't people go to football games", "why is there not a mall in Natchitoches."

Now that the rules are set, I'm looking forward to the intelligent, mature debates we should expect from the college students we are.

Let the games begin.

New Opinions editor speaks out to Northwestern students



Kristen L. Dauzat
Opinions Editor

I would like to introduce myself as your 2001-2002 Opinions editor for *The Current Sauce* newspaper.

My name is Kristen Dauzat, and I was born and reared in New Orleans, Louisiana. My major is broadcast journalism, and I am a first time freshman. I attended a small high school, Archbishop Blenk, which is located right outside of New Orleans.

In high school, I was a student reporter for my school's newspaper. I also did work with the editors, which has given me experience to handle the job as your opinions editor. I also have media experience in other fields as well.

Along with journalism, my hobbies include the arts, cleaning(yes,...cleaning), fashion, reading non-fiction, water skiing, and working out. I also enjoy working on computers.

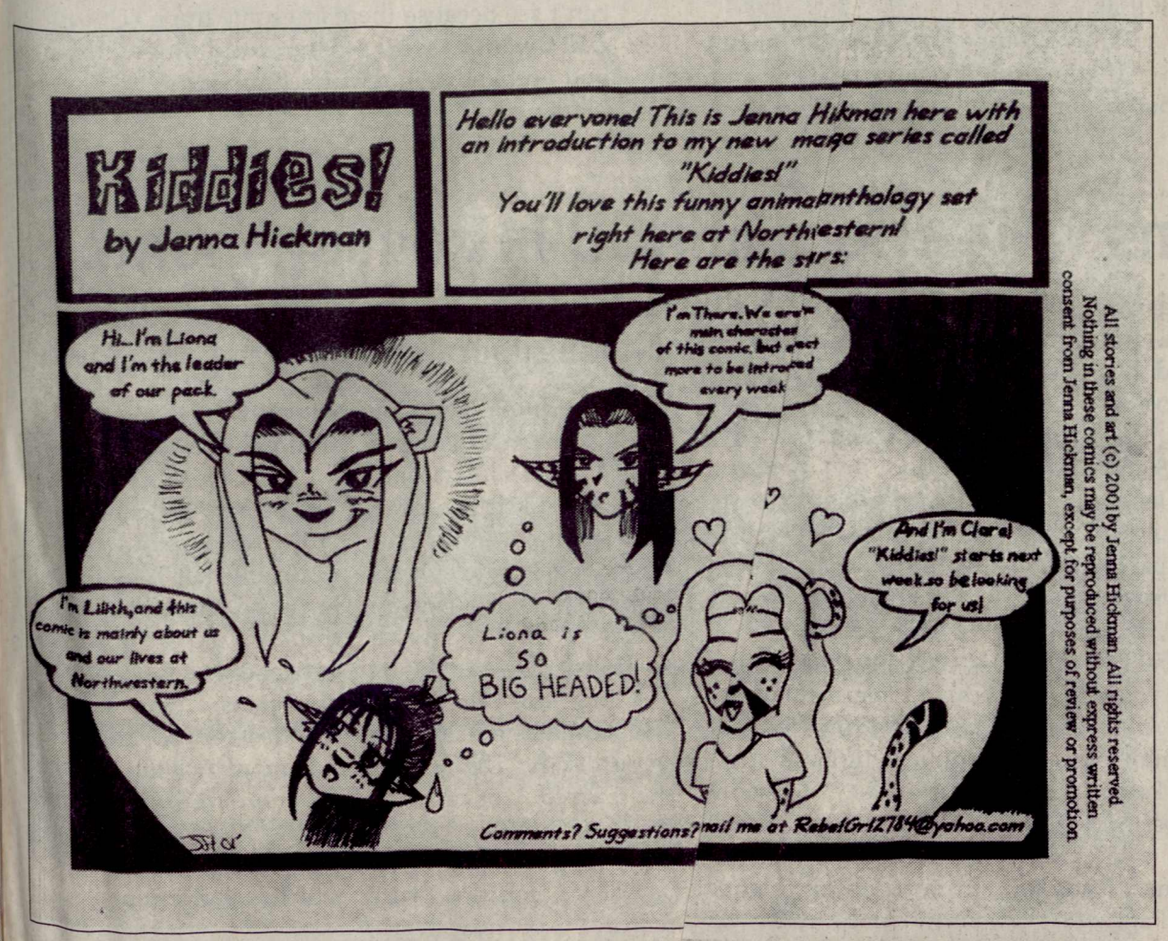
Since Senior day, I have felt as if Northwestern was the right place for me. I chose Northwestern because it has a friendly, welcoming atmosphere and also because it has a remarkable Journalism program. I feel as if Northwestern is a place where everyone can get to know one another by name, instead of "that person that sits across the auditorium in my classroom of three-hundred."

It is my duty to address an issue that seems to have come to my concern. In the past, the opinions page has been a vent for angered students to voice their opinions about topics that have set them off. It seems as if the opinions piece is more like *The Current Sauce's* own Jerry Springer column.

The way the opinions page has been viewed in the past is something that I would like to focus less on and try to give more attention to serious subjects. I am not trying to take all of the action out of your favorite section, but instead alter the subject matter just a bit. However, I am still open to any type of opinions that you may have. I am very excited to have this job as your editor, and I am open to any positive or negative feedback that you feel is important for this column.

Please do not hesitate to give your true thoughts on any issue. I hope that together we can have a successful fall semester. I wish luck to each and every one of you. Have a great semester!

If you are interested in writing for the opinions column, or have any idea that you feel needs to be addressed, please feel free to contact me via e-mail at: SauceOpinions1@hotmail.com



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Campus Life

Cast member of "The Producers" visits NSU

Angie Schworer, a cast member of the biggest current hit on Broadway, "The Producers," visited NSU Monday.

Schworer presented a workshop for Northwestern Theatre students and attended the annual Fall Orientation Party held on the Main Stage of the A.A. Fredericks Auditorium. NSU theatre students, Northwestern faculty and administrators and supporters of the program attended the event.

A former student of NSU Coordinator of Theatre Jack Wann, Schworer has appeared on Broadway in several hit shows including "Chicago," "Will Rogers Follies" and "Crazy for You."

Schworer has previously visited NSU to work with students and has also visited with participants on the annual trip to New York City.

Zydeco Festival set for Saturday

The 2nd Annual Cane River Zydeco Festival will be held on Saturday on the downtown riverbank in Natchitoches.

Festivities will begin with a Poker Run, open to all bikes on Saturday morning. Registration is $16 per rider and $6 per passenger. Riders will depart from the downtown riverbank at noon.

Prizes will be awarded and registration includes admittance to all evening festivities.

Entertainment will begin at 5 p.m., and will continue through midnight with "Jerome Batiste & The Zyde Ko Players" along with "DJ L.A. Jones." Admission to the event will be $5.

Proceeds will benefit the Cane River Chapter of the Magnolia State Peace Officers Association, a non-profit organization dedicated to the improvement of law enforcement.

For more information, contact Melvin Holmes at 318-357-3805.

Mathews named band director

Jeffrey C. Mathews has been named director of athletic bands at Northwestern State University, according to Bill Brent, head of the Mrs. H.D. Dear and Alice E. Dear Department of Creative and Performing Arts.

Mathews will coordinate band activities connected with Northwestern athletics including the Spirit of Northwestern Marching Band and the basketball pep band. He will also teach music education courses.

Book with local roots is added to Oprah's Book Club

by Dominique Irvin
Staff Writer

Oprah Winfrey's Book Club has turned dozens of unknown authors' works into bestsellers since its inception in 1996. Recently, Winfrey made a bestseller out of Lalita Tademy, an author with local roots.

Oprah's latest fictional pick, "Cane River," traces the ancestry of Tademy's Natchitoches family.

The book is a collection of adapted stories that Tademy heard from her great-grandmother . She wrote the book to ultimately tell her family history and quit her high profile job to do so.

Mary Linn Wernet, head archivist at NSU's Watson Library, said this kind of passion is the fabric of successful writers.

"You don't know where an idea is going to lead," Wernet said. "When it goes into a book of this magnitude, it's pretty exciting to have Oprah look at it and say, 'This is a must read.'"

The book covers 100 years and seven generations of the family's history and includes archival information about Natchitoches and North Louisiana.

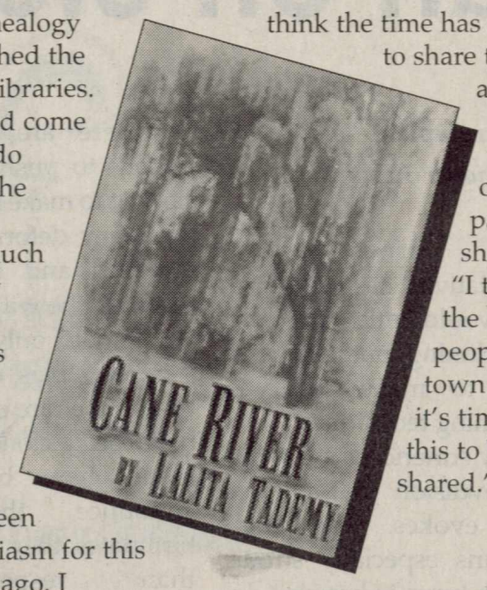
"An archivist must be thrilled with the idea that something is written in the area which they serve and I serve Natchitoches," Wernet said. "To me, it's a thrill to have a book written from materials that I service day to day."

Wernet learned of Tademy two years ago when the author came to Natchitoches to research for her book. Tademy toured the area, joined the Natchitoches Genealogy Society and searched the archives of local libraries.

"I think she did come to this library to do some research," she said.

Wernet said much can be learned by reading "Cane River." She thinks its focus on race relations is a timely one.

"I don't think we would have seen this much enthusiasm for this book a few years ago. I think the time has come to share this and say this is our past," she said. "I think the people in town know it's time for this to be shared."



In Perspective

Student sees life a little differently

NSU student April Banks thinks being blind has some advantages



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April Banks is a 19-year-old freshman, from Colorado, majoring in Economics. Banks is blind, and realizes that most people thinkblindness is a disability. She says it's just a different way of living.

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by Elona Boggs
Life Editor

When April Banks crosses the parking lot in front of Sabine Hall, she worries about being hit by a car.

"Being hit is my biggest fear," she said. "When I am going to Kyser, going across Sabine's parking lot is very scary. I don't think people are aware that I am on this campus."

Banks is blind because of a hereditary disease called glaucoma. It starts at birth, occurring when the pressure inside the eye is too high. The pressure damages optic nerves and gradually causes vision loss.

"Whenever it decides to start taking effect, that's when you lose your vision," she said. "For me, it started at eight, but I didn't lose my vision until I was 13."

Banks said as a child, her pupils took longer than usual to dilate. When her pupils stopped dilating completely, she was diagnosed with the disease.

"I was in denial for some time. When I took my vision tests, I memorized the charts. I knew that big old 'E' was there and I knew the first couple of cards," she said. "One day, they switched the cards, sothat was the end of that."

Banks describes her vision as "hazy".

"If you put a patch over one eye and then put a couple of pieces of paper over one eye, that is what I see. I see colors and shades, but not images," she said. "It's like I'm in a fog. You don't see things unless they are right at you."

With the help of a walking cane and friends as guides, Banks travels all over campus independently. She has her textbooks written in Braille, and when necessary, she has friends read assignments to her. She said thus far, her instructors and classmates have been helpful.

"School can be tricky, but I've done well so far," she said. "My biggest challenge has been just getting to class and of course, depth perception. This campus has a lot of drop-offs on the sidewalks. I've fell a few times."

"I see the world differently and you know, in a way, I think it's a blessing."
- Banks

Banks realizes that most people think her blindness limits her, but she sees the matter differently than most.

"I know sighted people who have never been on a horse or ice skated. It's amazing to me that sighted people don't do those things," she said. "I do those things."

Banks thinks being blind has its advantages.

"There are times when I thank God that I can't see because there are some things I don't want to see. I see the world differently and you know, in a way, I think it's a blessing."

Nationally renowned musicians will perform at NSU in coming months

Performances by nationally renowned jazz musicians Tony Dagradi and Byron Stripling are part of varied concert schedule planned by the University Jazz Orchestra at Northwestern State University, directed by Galindo Rodriguez.

"This year's concert schedule is part of our effort to create a strong jazz presence in our overall music program," said Rodriguez. "We will be bringing experienced, world-class professionals to Northwestern to work with our students and perform."

A pops concert with the Natchitoches-Northwestern Symphony Orchestra will start the season on Oct. 4 in Prather Coliseum. Richard Rose will conduct the NNSO and the Jazz Orchestra will perform a number of popular big band dance tunes.

Dagradi will present a master class for NSU students and perform with the orchestra Nov. 14. An associate professor of saxophone at Loyola University in New Orleans, Dagradi is an active jazz performer. Dagradi and his group, Astral Project, have performed throughout the United States and in Europe and Japan.

The Jazz Orchestra will take part in the annual Christmas Gala on Nov.. 30, along with the entire Mrs. H.D. Dear and Alice E. Dear Department of Creative and Performing Arts at NSU. On Feb. 1, the group will perform at the annual Miss Northwestern - Lady of the Bracelet Pageant.

Stripling will perform at Northwestern March 2 as par of the Spring Tumpet Extravaganza. H was selected by conuctor John Williams o the Boston Pops Orchesa, as featured soloist or the PBS television spcial, "Evening at Pops."

Spripling also ha a cameo performance n the TV movie, "Te Young Indiana Jon Chronicles." Striplin also gave a critically acclaimed virtuoso trumpet and comedic performance in the 42nd Street production of "From Second Avenue to Broadway."

In addition, Stripling has also been a featured soloist on The Grammy Awards. He has also done trumpet solos and voiceovers on television commercials, TV theme songs and movie soundtracks.

The Jazz Orchestra will close out the 2001-02 season with "The Best of the Sacred Concerts of Duke Elllington" April 17.

This concert will feature Northwestern alumnus David Hardin of Shreveport on trumpet, the combined NSU choruses and the NSU Dance Ensemble.

"This year's program will be very beneficial for our students," said Rodriguez. "They will have the chance to learn from and observe outstanding professional musicians. We will emphasize the creative side more by letting them do more improvisation and will balance that with the practical side which is performing."

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College slang covers more than drinking and sex

by Linda Shrieves
Knight-Ridder Tribune

"What's up, mang? I went with my peeps to a roofy show last night. I went with a scud, but later ditched her when I hooked up with a girl who was really dank. But we couldn't ditch this hangin' chad from my frathouse. He split after the show, though, and it was all gravy."

If that's Greek to you, maybe it's time for you to go back to college.

Or perhaps just pick up a copy of "U.C.L.A. Slang 4," a paperback of college slang compiled by students in professor Pamela Munro's linguistics class.

But before we go any further, permit a translation of the paragraph above: "What's up man? I went with my buddies to an awesome show last night. I met a girl who looked good from a distance, but she wasn't so attractive up close. Later I ditched her and paired off with a girl who was really good looking, but we couldn't get rid of this guy who was hanging around us. But he left after the show and everything was all right."

Pamela Munro, who has spent a career studying Native American languages, stumbled onto a side street in her career in the 1980s. After listening to another college professor discuss her collection of "college slang," Munro thought that such a project might be intriguing.

Now she actually spends time wondering why students call cigarettes "schmeds." Or how they came up with the nickname "Rochambeau" for the game of rock, paper, scissors.

Such weighty matters.

Since 1989, she has gathered a group of students together to discuss and report the latest college slang. The latest edition, "U.C.L.A. Slang 4," sells at the UCLA bookstore for $7.50.

In it, readers find a compendium of the latest slang. "Did you see my new car? Bling-bling!" — which mimicks the sound of a modern-day cash register.

In a book committed to college slang, it should be no surprise that a huge number of entries are devoted to three subjects: drinking, vomiting and having sex. Or as one wag once noted, "boozing, barfing and bumping."

Munro acknowledges those words are present — and apparently ever-present in the minds of college students — but that they don't constitute the majority of words in "U.C.L.A. Slang 4."

It only seems that way to older readers, she says.

Those subjects, however, are natural topics of conversation, notes Munro, for any college student living away from home for the first time.

Scanning only a short portion of the book reveals a host of synonyms for "drunk" — sauced, sloshed, smashed, totted, toasted, torn up, trashed, wasted, wrecked.

Sex? There are pages and pages devoted to sex — also known as scamming, scoring, shagging, taxing.

As any twenty something can tell you, looks are important — so important that college students spend much time dreaming of new expressions to describe people.

A "Baldwin," for instance, is a good-looking man, with a sly referral to the Baldwin brothers, actors Alec, Stephen and William. A "70s porn star" is a man with a moustache, open shirt and gold chains. As in "We couldn't stop laughing at the 70s porn star who was sporting a mullet."

When it comes to descriptions, women bear the brunt of the slang. A "shman" is a woman who looks like a man.

But the creative synapses fire up for descriptions. A "monet" is a woman who, like an Impressionist painting, looks good from afar but not as good up close. The same definition applies to "scud." Similarly, a man who becomes enchanted with a "monet" later tells his friends: "It must have been the DDF — distance distortion factor."

Since Munro began studying college slang in the early 1990s, the landscape has changed. Although some slang still comes from current events — "go postal" or "scud missile" — a large amount of slang today comes from rap music.

"Original gangster," now shortened to "O.G." means true to one's roots. "True dat" — once commonly used as "okay" or "that's the truth" — has become so mainstream that it's been abbreviated to "T.D."

"It's a very definite change," Munro says. "A lot of slang comes from the African-American community, but the vehicle that's made it become so widely popular is rap music."

Movies still play a role in slang. "The major movie that had an impact on this volume" was "Austin Powers: The Spy Who Shagged Me," she says. "Austin Powers really popularized the word "shag' in the U.S."

Television remains a popular source. From "The Flintstones," there's "betty" — a good-looking female — and "barney" — a person who tries to be like someone else. "Five-O" has been a college slang favorite for years, a slang term that means cops, but derived from the show, "Hawaii Five-O." No matter that "The Dukes of Hazzard" is in re-runs or seen only at late night on cable, "daisy dukes" are still used to describe short-shorts worn by the character of that name.

It's hard to explain how slang spread. Like kudzu, it knows no boundaries.

It creeps into conversations and sidles into television shows. It travels long distances, hopping from campus to campus through e-mail, telephone conversations, chance meetings during spring break. And once a slang word becomes part of the popular culture, it does what every garage band hopes to: It goes national.

Then the word pops up in movies, in TV, in songs. It gets adopted by teen-agers and recent college grads. It becomes so contagious that it may no longer be merely "college slang."

"Lately, because so much slang comes from generally accessible entertainment media like films, television, and popular music, it is harder to distinguish college slang from the general slang of older teens and twentysomethings," says Connie Eble, a linguistics professor at the University of North Carolina who also tracks college slang.

Of course, not every slang expression hits the big time. Some words never make it from one campus to another.

A former student e-mailed Munro with a suggestion that she had discovered at Reed College in Oregon. "One was "son of a bush!' — which kids were using at Reid," Munro said. "I thought it was cute myself, but the students said it wasn't being used at UCLA."

"Some slang words just completely drop out of sight," Munro says. "New slang words are always coming in. And some words will carry over from one book to the next. One of the very popular expressions is to say something is "da bomb.' That was really popular four years ago. It's still being used."

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2001 Fall sports preview

Fall sports teams are ready to get it started

Craig Nall named starting QB as Demons prepare for Southern

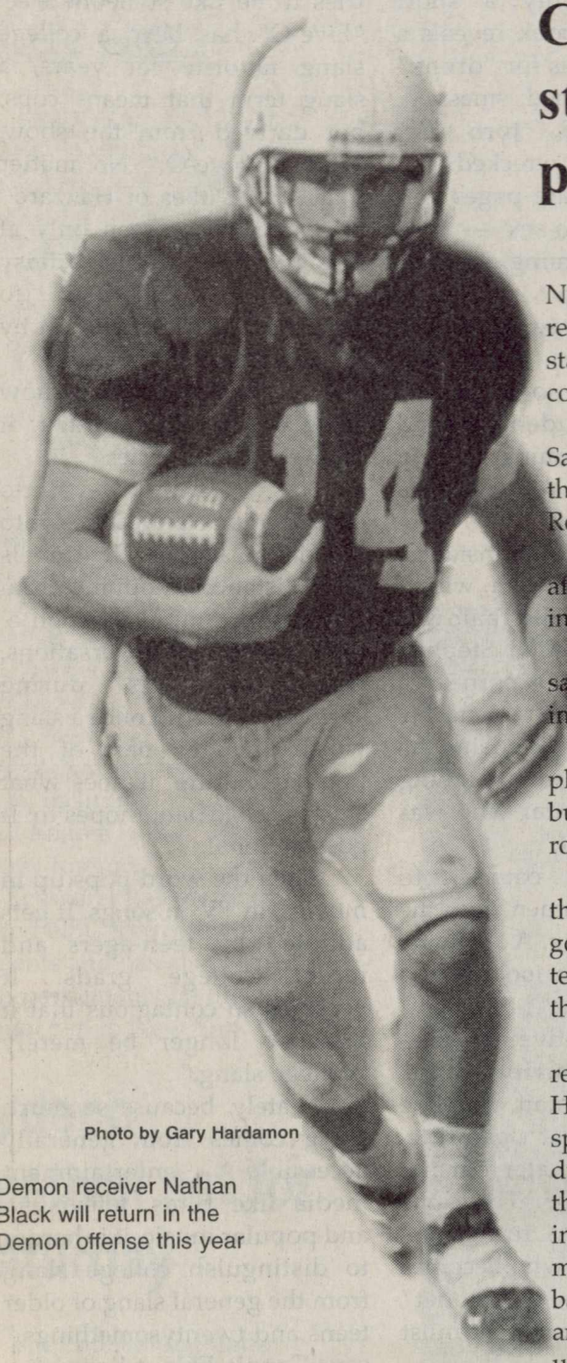


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Demon receiver Nathan Black will return in the Demon offense this year

LSU transfer Craig Nall, who transferred to Northwestern State last December, has edged returning starter Ben Beach for the Demons' starting quarterback job, Northwestern football coach Steve Roberts said Tuesday.

Nall and Beach are seniors. Nall will start Saturday night as the Demons, 6-5 last year, open their season at Southern University in Baton Rouge.

Roberts said the decision was "very difficult" after a tight competition between the quarterbacks in spring practice and during preseason.

"Both of them competed extremely well," he said. "We have a tremendous amount of confidence in our quarterbacks.

"If one gets in the game and plays well, we'll play one. If we need to change we can and we will, but we are not going into the season planning to rotate quarterbacks," said Roberts.

"I'm excited, but the important thing isn't to be the starting quarterback right now," said Nall. "My goal is to be the starting quarterback of a winning team, of a championship team, when we hang up the cleats at the end of the year."

Nall, a 6-3, 237-pounder who was highly recruited as a prep senior from Alexandria Senior High in 1996, started two games and notably sparkled in a 1998 relief outing at Notre Dame during his three seasons playing for LSU. He threw for 431 yards on 35 of 79 accuracy with 4 interceptions in 14 games at quarterback, spending most of his last two seasons in Baton Rouge battling with current Tiger starter Rohan Davey and former starter Josh Booty for the No. 1 job under coach Gerry Dinardo and later coach Nick Saban at LSU.

Photo by Gary Hardamon

Jacqui Lawrence and the Defending conference champion Demon soccer team have high goals for the season



Demon soccer must defend its crown without star player

by Mindy Mixon
Sauce reporter

Just days after the Demon's soccer team polled to finish first in the Southland Conference division, last years SLC player of the year Britiany Cargill announced her decision to quit the team.

The senior forward was returning as a scholarship player this year after playing all last season as a walk-on due to quitting the team once before her sophomore year.

No one seems to know the exact reason Cargill decided not to follow up on her previous dynamic year.

"I honestly don't know. Britiany added lots to our program and it's certainly a disappointment. There was no indication that she wanted to quit - she was in good shape and had a good attitude," says Head Coach Jimmy Mitchell. "There was no explanation and it's disappointing that she quit. The timing is really

See "Cargill", page 9

Demon volleyball has high expectations for this season



Photo by Gary Hardamon

New faces add for new excitement on the Demon Volleyball team

Photo by Gary Hardamon

Lacy Fletcher is one of the few retuning members of the Lady Demon Cross Country team.

by Cooda Dobin
Sauce reporter

The Demon volleyball team is making preparations to have their most successful season ever.

Third-year head coach James Onikeku has started by assembling a coaching staff that includes assistant Leigh Davis, a 1995 graduate of Dickinson and junior college head coach and graduate assistant Kylie Amato a 2000 graduate of W. Alabama.

Onikeku is also very proud of his 2001 recruiting class. Ten newcomers including eight freshmen make-up the biggest part of the Demons roster while returning only four of last seasons players.

"They are all my players now," Onikeku said "I'm glad to have them, this is the most athletic team I've been a part of in my coaching career."

Onikeku is also confident the newcomers will blend in quickly and adjust to collegiate volleyball

"These kids come from good programs and they have faced good competition, either in high school or with their club teams. They are going to be comfortable facing the caliber of play in the Southland Conference," adds Onikeku.

One of the Demons most notable returners will be sophomore Cathy Herring. Herring had a great season filling in for injured senior Missy Krause, leading the conference in service aces and was listed in the top 10 in assist.

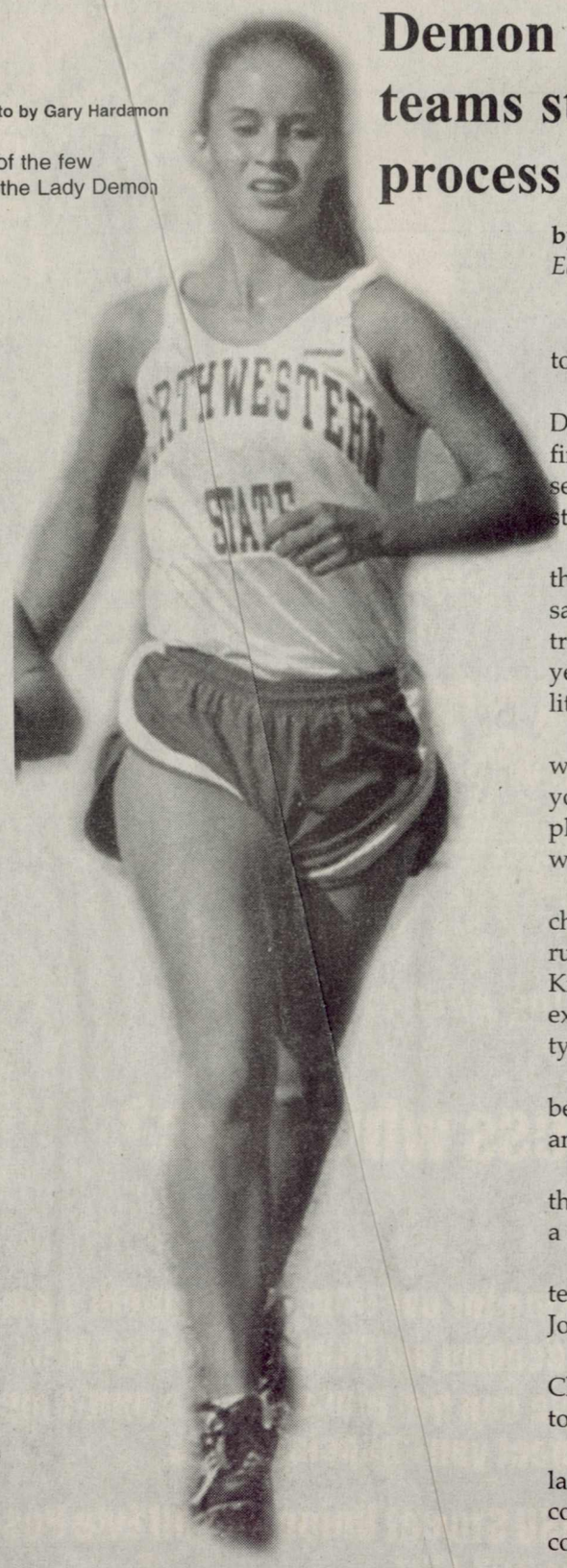
Also returning will be Junior outside hitter Christina Stone, who led the team with 3.32 kills per game and is the Demons top returning hitter.

Newcomer Kristen Franks is also expected to have an immediate impact at middle blocker. Frank joins the Demons from Loredo Community College, which ranked in the National Top 20.

With such a talented team the Demon are

See, "Volleyball", page 9

Demon Cross Country teams start building process



by Rondray Hill
Editor

The process of building a champion has to start somewhere.

That process lies in recruitment for the Demon Cross Country teams. Both squads finished seventh in the conference last season, and both squads are looking to get stronger for the future.

"We've recruited some runners who we think will help us be stronger in the future," said head coach Dean Johnson. "They are training at a higher level than they were last year, and they are mature now and know a little more about how to train."

The Lady Demon Cross Country team will add three new members to an already young squad. High expectations have been placed on returning runner Christy Stark as well as newcomer Linzie Ledford.

"In the last week, we have gotten a chance to see Linzie and she's a strong runner," Lady Demon coach Ashley Kincade said. "She's very coachable and exited about running, and those are the types of things we need from out team."

Kincade also thinks a close eye should be kept on returning runners Lacy Fletcher and Jill Schenk.

" We're capable of making a move in the conference if we stay healthy and run as a team," Kincade said.

On the men's side, nine out of the 12 team members are new, but to coach Johnson, it's not a problem.

Returning runners Noah Murgor, Jonah Chelimo and Jorge Bustamante are expected to anchor the team.

"The conference isn't a strong as it was last year. If our guys can stay healthy, we could possibly finish third or fourth in the conference," Johnson said.

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Cargill's leaves a void that's hard to fill

had. But as a team, we have to put it behind us because we are talented enough to step up to the challenge."

Cargill declined to make a comment to The Current Sauce quoting that "what I have to say couldn't be printed in the newspaper."



Cargill

"We thank Britiany for helping us win an SLC championship last year," discloses Doug Ireland, sports information director. "It's a shame that she can't return this year to have a shot at winning another one."

To compensate for the loss of Cargill aggressiveness, Mitchell looks to the remaining teammates to just "be themselves. Britiany had a lot of scoring ability and was a threat, therefore certain people will have to step it up from an offensive point."

And those certain people would be Bryndie Maag, Brittany Hung and Danielle Thomas - all freshmen who are "capable of scoring goals and attacking," comments Mitchell.

Expected to have to step up for the Demon defense are freshmen Katie Priest and Nellie Latiolais.

With the season opener right around the corner Mitchell told the NSU website that "we play the whole season to get into the best possible position for the conference tournament. Being the top seed last year was a definite advantage for us and that's exactly what we are shooting for again in 2001."

August 31 the Demon's travel to play in the Tennessee Tech Tournament and the first scheduled home game is Sept. 5 against Centenary.

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Volleyball team confident about season

looking forward to this season. After winning 14 games last season, the best record since 1993 the

Demons are thirsty for more success, and they are convinced this will be the year Northwestern State makes it to the SLC championship tournament for the first time ever.

Onikeku explains, "with the recruits we have and the returner on hand, I believe we will be mixing it up with the top teams in the SLC." Its never been done here before this year, so this team will be trendsetters for the future years."

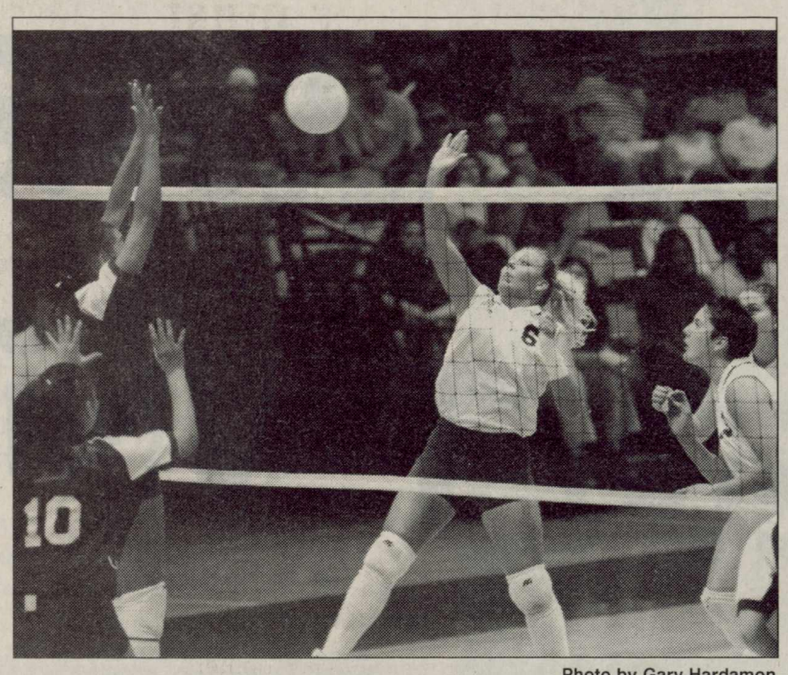


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The Demon volleyball team's first home game is Sept. 4 against the Grambling State University Lady Tigers

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What's next?

Students and faculty react

By Elona Boggs
Life Editor

Shock and disbelief describe the emotions of Rocky Colavito, head of the NSU Department of Language and Communication, after learning of the terrorist attacks in New York and Washington on Tuesday.

"The video of the second plane hitting the World Trade Center will stay with me for the rest of my life," he said.

Colavito felt so strongly he canceled his classes and told his students to "go home and pray."

Colavito was one of several people questioned by journalism students on Tuesday about the terrorist attacks. Most students shared his emotions.

Freshman Matt Ball said he feels uncertain about America's safety.

"Personally, it's freaking me out. I'm not sure how everything is right now. Americans are pretty complacent," Ball said. "Hopefully George Bush is mobilizing."

Freshman Tony Smith said he watched the news this morning until he had to go to class.

"At first, I thought it was an accident until the second plane hit it (the World Trade Center). I was thinking about the people in it," Smith said. "After class I learned Bush was at Barksdale."

Sophomore Naomi Chrissoverges did not like the thought of the president being in Shreveport on Tuesday.

"I am worried because Air Force One is in Shreveport, and that's my home. I'm scared whoever did this will try to attack Shreveport to get at the president," she said.

Students like freshman Shelly Sparks, have family and friends in the military and are concerned about the possibility of war. Sparks' brother is in the Air Force and is stationed in Korea.

"We are seriously worried about the situation," Sparks said. "We can't call him or anything. Contact between all civilians and military personnel has been shut down."

Sparks fears that her brother will be called to duty.

"That's the risk you have to take when you join the military," she said. "This is definitely a catalyst for war."

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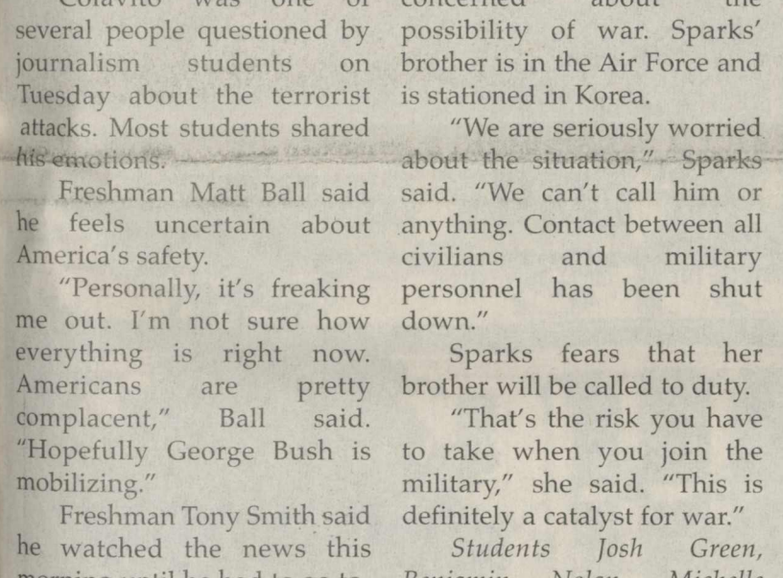


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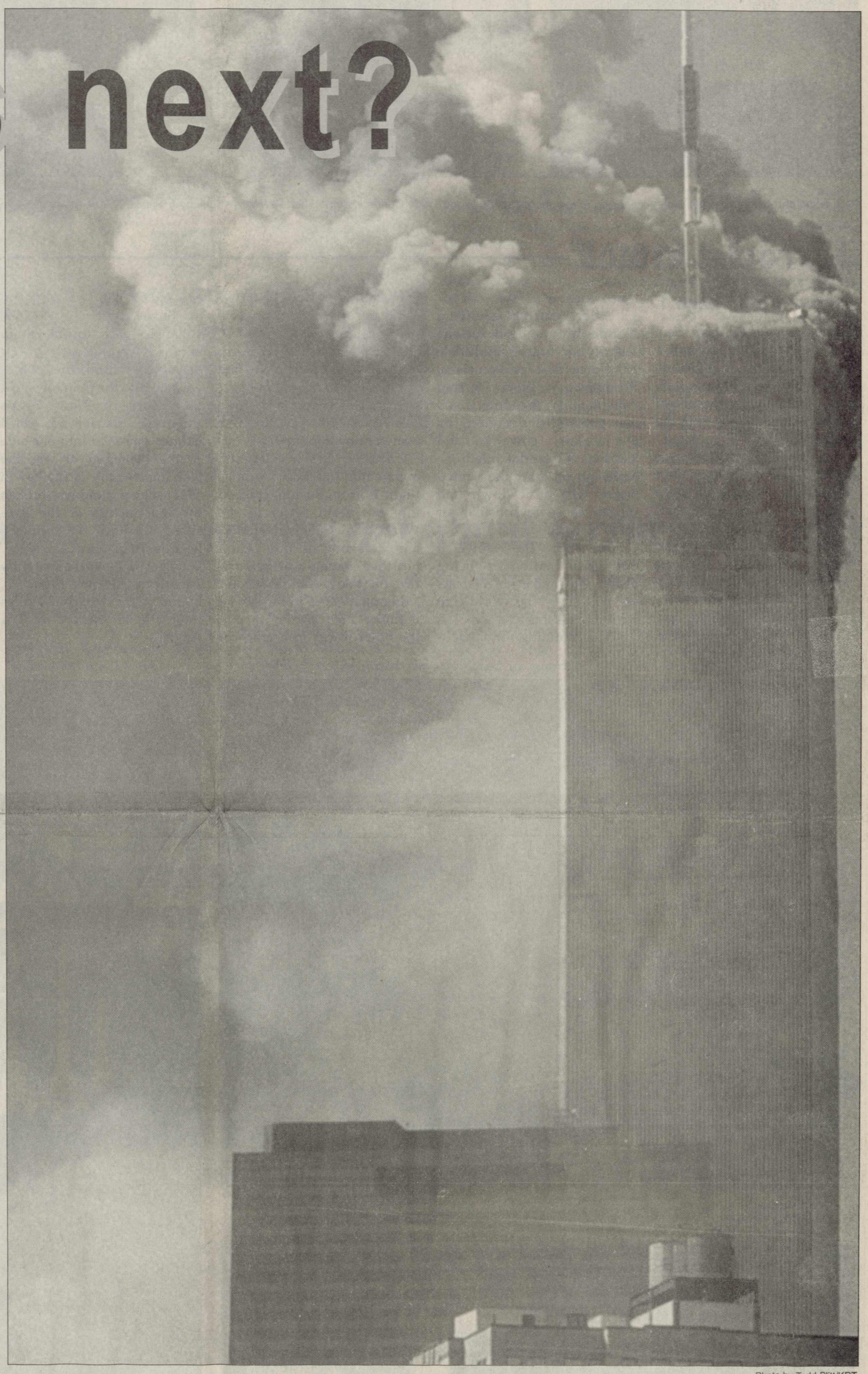


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Clockwise from left: Emergency crews try to extinguish fires at the Pentagon after an airplane crashed into the building following similar attacks on the World Trade Center on last Tuesday. The second tower of the World Trade Center exploded and collapsed after being hit by a hijacked airplane. 12th Street in Washington, DC, was jammed with commuters who were trying to escape the city after the terrorist attacks.

World Trade Center and Pentagon targeted in terrorist attack

In a staggering attack on the United States, terrorists struck Tuesday at the symbols of American financial and military might, using hijacked jetliners as suicide missiles to level the twin towers of the World Trade Center in New York City and blast into the Pentagon beside Washington, D.C.

President Bush vowed "to hunt down and punish those responsible for these cowardly acts." Hours later, explosions rocked Kabul, the capital of Afghanistan and the host country for the prime suspect behind Tuesday's attacks. It was unclear who was behind the Kabul explosions.

Intelligence officials said initial information pointed at Osama bin Laden as the chief suspect in the attacks on Washington and New York.

Bin Laden is a Saudi exile who heads the Al-Qaida, a global terrorist network that has targeted the United States repeatedly.

Bin Laden is blamed for masterminding the bombings of U.S. embassies in Kenya and Tanzania in 1998, and is suspected in the bombing of the U.S.S. Cole in Yemen last October. He is believed to be based in Afghanistan.

The loss of life from Tuesday's attacks is likely to be horrendous - as many as 50,000 people could have been in the two 110-story skyscrapers, and thousands in the Pentagon. Several hundred people aboard the four airliners perished as well.

The grim toll was almost certain to surpass the 2,403 who were killed in the surprise Japanese attack on the U.S. naval base at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, on Dec. 7, 1941, and the 167 who died in a domestic terrorist bomb attack on a federal building in Oklahoma City on April 19, 1995.

The attack was likely to have a similarly jarring effect on a stunned nation, as Americans hunkered down, suddenly unsure of the safety of their skies. Talk turned quickly to retaliation and even war.

"If you can do this to the USA and get at two symbols of the strength of America," Sen. Chuck Hagel, R-Neb. said, "that tells you essentially we are at war."

Standing in a park near

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Photo by Harry Hamburg/New York Daily News

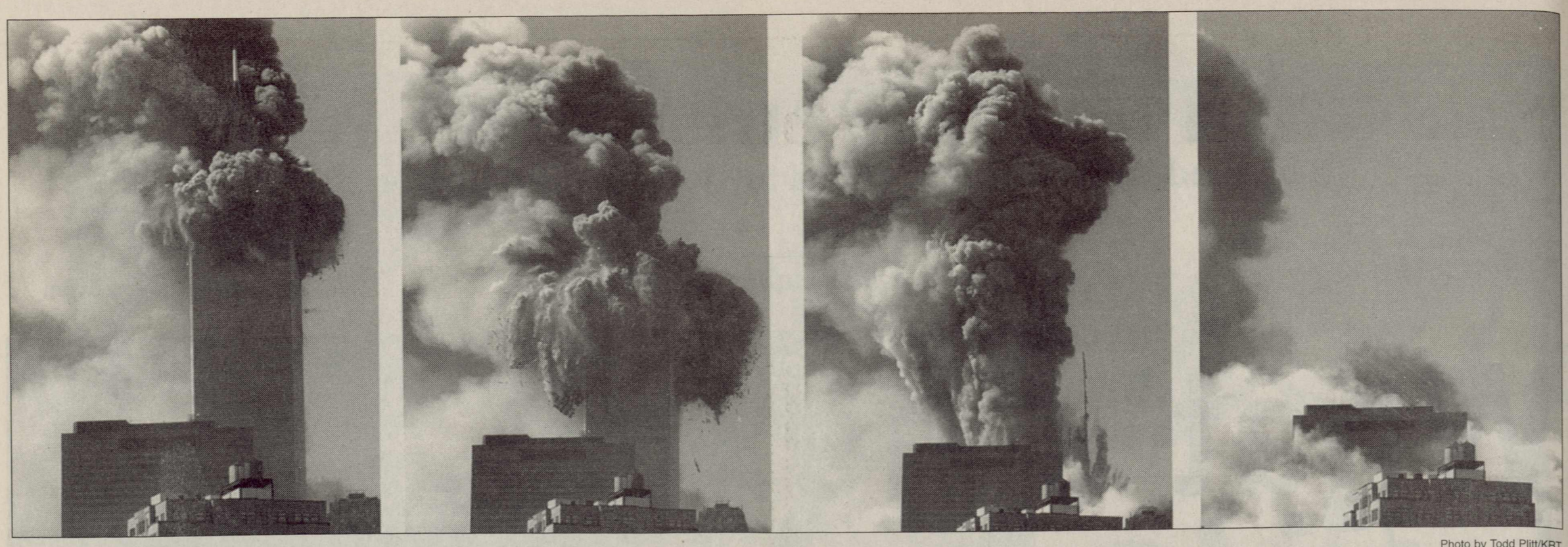


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This is the chronological order of the collapsing of the second of the World Trade Center towers. The tower was struck by a hijacked plane at about 9 a.m. It collapsed, roughly an hour and a half later.

Terrorist attack

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the evacuated Capitol, Sen. John Warner, R-Va., the senior Republican on the Senate Armed Services Committee, said: "This is our second Pearl Harbor, right here in the nation's capital.

As the U.S. military was ordered on highest alert worldwide, a sense of siege spread quickly across the land. All U.S. air traffic was grounded for the first time in history, financial markets closed, high-profile buildings such as the Sears Tower in Chicago were evacuated, and telephone circuits overloaded as families tried to check on loved ones.

After cutting short a Florida trip to head for the security of nearby Barksdale Air Force Base in Louisiana, President Bush told Americans, "Freedom itself was attacked this morning by a faceless coward, and freedom will be defended. . . . Make no mistake; the United States will hunt down and punish those responsible for these cowardly acts."

He said, "The resolve of our great nation is being tested. But make no mistake, we will show the world that we will pass this test."

The cunning and well-coordinated attack started with nearly simultaneous hijackings of four commercial jetliners, which had taken off within 12 minutes of one another. All took off from East Coast airports and were fully loaded with fuel for transcontinental flights.

The first jetliner, apparently American Airlines flight 11 from Boston, crashed into the north tower of the World Trade Center about 8:45 a.m., starting a fire. As a horrified nation watched the fire on television, a second jetliner appeared in the sky 18 minutes later, slamming into the other tower in a crash of fire and smoke.

Subsequent explosions collapsed each tower within another 90 minutes.

Shortly after the planes crashed into the twin towers at the heart of New York's financial district, a third jetliner slammed into one side of the Pentagon. It was the 60th anniversary of the day in 1941 when ground was broken for construction of the five-sided U.S. military headquarters.

That one was apparently American Airlines flight 77, bound from nearby Dulles International Airport for Los Angeles.

A fourth hijacked jetliner, its target unknown, crashed outside Pittsburgh.

In New York, officials sealed Manhattan Island, closed bridges and tunnels leading into the city. Rescue workers there rushed to fight the fires and evacuate people when a subsequent explosion ripped through the south tower, disintegrating its upper floors and hurtling tons of concrete, metal, glass - and presumably bodies - into the streets below.

Debris and smoke barreled through the canyon-like avenues, sending people running as everything within blocks became covered with ash.

"I was just standing there like an idiot, and the next thing you know it collapsed and it was just smoke," a dust-covered Bob Whirley said, who worked in one of the towers.

"It's almost impossible to describe the level of anger you have that someone would do this," New York Mayor Rudy Giuliani said, who with Gov. George Pataki ordered Tuesday's mayoral primary election delayed until a later date. "There's no reason for this. There's no excuse for this."



Photo by Corey Sipkin/New York Daily News



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Photo by Chuck Kennedy/KRT

Clockwise from upper left:

An ambulance burns across the street from the World Trade Center after the collapsing of the two towers

Secret service and federal authorities surround the White House after a the hijacked jet crashed into the Pentagon last Tuesday.

President Bush and Vice-President Dick Cheney met in Washington, DC, yesterday to discuss aid for the victims of the terrorist attacks.

Terrorist attack

Natchitoches residents contribute to the rescue effort

By Garrett Guillotte
Sauce Reporter

Local residents, including a large number of Northwestern State University students, overwhelmingly responded to a call for donated blood Tuesday afternoon in response to terrorist attacks in New York City and Washington, DC.

LifeShare worker Michael Feazell said when the mobile blood collection bus arrived in the Broadmoor Shopping Center parking lot at 12:30 PM, "there were people standing in line waiting."

Nearly four hours later, the line had grown to over 85 people and continued to expand. Many people huddled under umbrellas to shade themselves from the heat.

"So far, I think we've collected 40 to 50 [pints of blood]," fellow LifeShare worker Alison Leborte said.

"Each donor takes anywhere from ten to fifteen minutes and our bus is full right now," she said, indicating a wait of more than two and a half hours for donors just arriving in the mid-afternoon.

Feazell said LifeShare had sent a shipment of blood earlier and was planning to send at least one more shipment later that evening, but had "no idea" how the blood was being transported in lieu of the nationwide suspension of commercial airplane flights and bus service in New York.

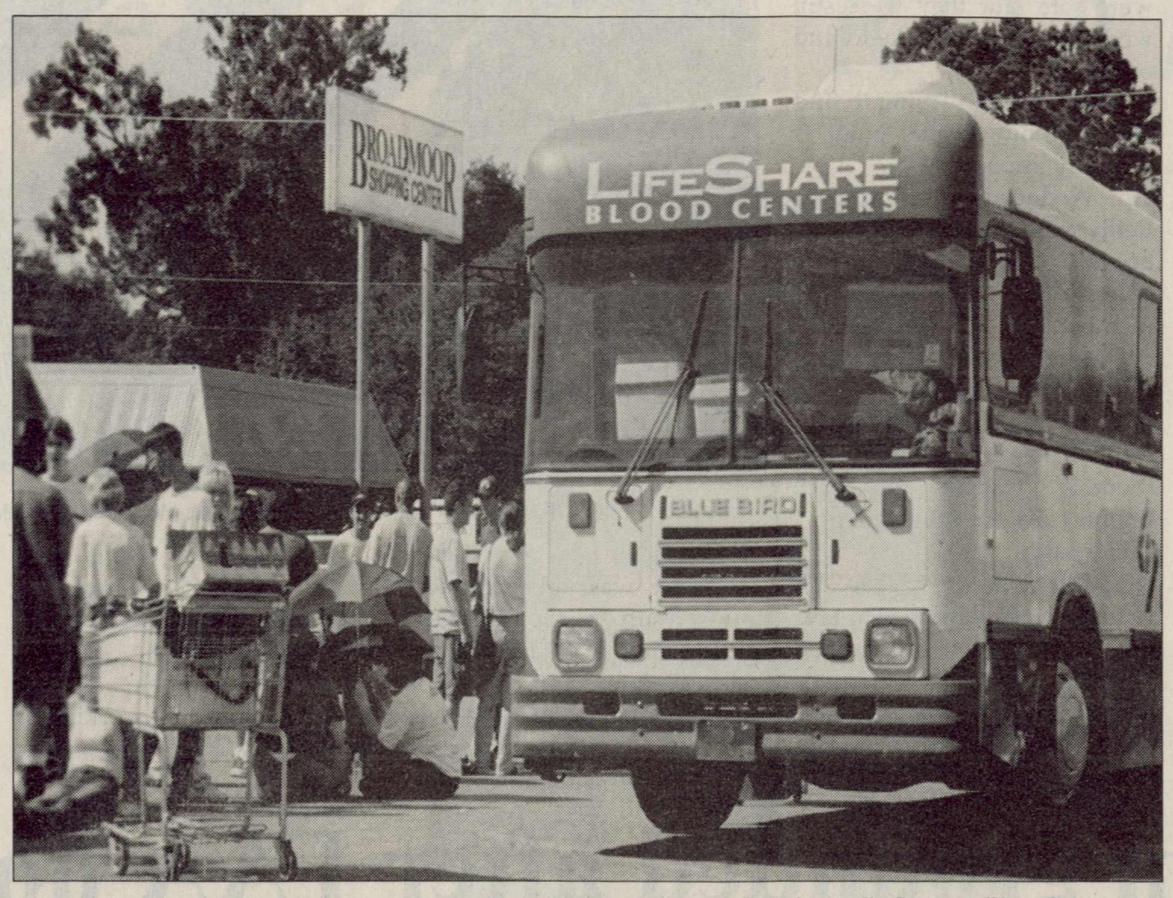


Photo by Jennifer Bocanegra/Sauce Photographer
The LifeShare Blood Center bus set up shop in the parking lot of the Broadmoor Shopping Center Tuesday for those Natchitoches residents who wanted to donate blood. The blood will go the victims of the terrorist attacks.

"Our guess is by bus right now," Feazell said. "It's not our department."

Local resident Jo McCutcheon was near the entrance to the blood collection bus after waiting in line for over two hours. "I believe in blood donation," McCutcheon said. "I believe it's the gift of life."

McCutcheon said she was very happy about the number of students at the blood drive. "Just look at the line," McCutcheon said, gesturing to the more than fifty people in line behind her - more than half of them local high school and college students. "I think that speaks for the young people in our community."

Jared Kahhanek, an undeclared freshman, was among the many NSU students in line.

"I figured if something like this would happen," Kahhanek said, "the people would come out, do what they could."

Kahhanek, who had never given blood before, said, "I heard about what happened in New York and I figured now's as good a time as any."

Natchitoches Mayor Wayne McCullen arrived during the drive, but not to donate blood.

"We're trying to get it so that [LifeShare] will have a space inside [Natchitoches City Hall], and the people don't have to stand out in the sun, in the heat," McCullen said.

"Of course, all the agencies in Natchitoches are working with the blood center," McCullen said.

Throughout the line, members of Natchitoches ambulance services measured donors' blood pressures, provided them with grapes and bottled water, and handed out medical information forms.

University professor from India speaks out about terrorist attacks

By Rob Morgan
Sauce Reporter

"We as American citizens cannot allow these acts of terrorism to demoralize us," Dr. Subhash Durlabhji said, "because the demoralizing of the American people is exactly what they (the terrorists) want."

Dr. Durlabhji, a professor of business, is originally from India, and has been teaching at the University since 1987. He has lived in the United States for the past 24 years.

"My reaction was absolutely equal with the reactions of other Americans," Dr. Durlabhji said, "it is just a terrible, terrible tragedy that will force us (the U.S.A.) to re-evaluate some things."

According to Dr. Durlabhji, the United States growing political support of Israel should be re-examined.

"A more balanced approach is needed to our foreign policy," he said, "we have tilted toward Israel for decades, but others residing in that area need our involvement, as well."

"It is hard to say, though, whether foreigners are involved in this or not," Dr. Durlabhji. "We assumed the same thing with the Oklahoma City bombing."

If it does prove to be a foreign threat, Dr. Durlabhji does not fear the same fallout as with the reaction against Japanese-Americans during WWII. This reaction refers to Japanese-Americans being arrested and temporarily replaced in guarded isolation camps.

"The constitution protects us against a possibility of a police state with the use of checks and balances-probably our founding fathers intent."

"If we-the American people-witnessed a WWII scenario occurring today, we would rally against it," Dr. Durlabhji said, "the fact of an open society with the freedom of the press-combined with the experience of past prejudice would prevent this 'knee-jerk' response."

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Terrorist attack

University students alarmed; families live in NYC

By Kira Gervais
Contributing writer

The attacks on the World Trade Center Tuesday morning were personal for two NSU students.

Ken Miller and Mark Reilly were alarmed Tuesday morning when they found out about the tragedy in New York. They were not just surprised by this horrible act; they were also worried about family members who live in the city. Miller is a graduate student in music at Northwestern, and Reilly is a senior music education major.

Miller's brother-in-law works at the World Trade Center on the 52nd floor, and his parents live in Long Island. Miller said he felt "absolute shock. You can't really describe sheer terror."

Reilly's father works in the Southern tip of Manhattan, and his two cousins work on Wall Street. He could not describe what he was feeling when he turned on the television Tuesday morning. Reilly said, "I just balled."

Miller and Reilly said they could not get in touch with anyone in New York.

"Cell phone lines in New York have been shut down," said Miller.

Miller finally got in touch with his parents and was told his brother-in-law had not made it to work at the time of the attacks. As of early Tuesday afternoon, Miller could not get in touch with his sister or his brother-in-law.

Reilly said he knew nothing about his father, but he finally heard from his mother. "My father was not found for four hours," said Reilly.

He also said his mother told him his uncle was a firefighter working on the rescue in New York.

Miller and Reilly said they knew their family members were safe, but they were still worried and would like to find out more.

Miller said, "Trying to find anything out at this point is virtually impossible."

On Wednesday Miller and Reilly were feeling much better because they said they were able to talk to their family members.

Miller was trying to get in touch with his parents in Long Island, but he said it is still difficult to keep in touch with them. "Traffic's real bad. Phone calls are still tied up," Miller said.

Miller also was able to talk to his sister and brother-in-law, who were lost in New York on Tuesday. He said his brother-in-law is doing well. "He's obviously quite traumatized by the whole thing," Miller said.

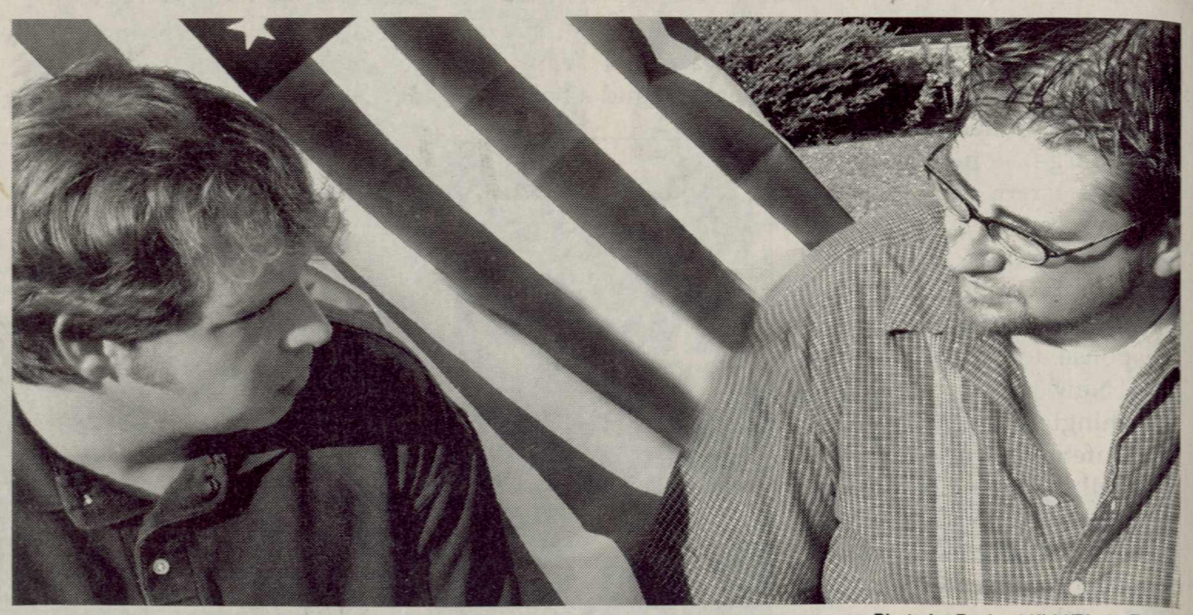


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The attacks in NYC hit home for two NSU students. Ken Miller (left) and Mark Reilly (right) have family that live in NYC.

Reilly was able to get in touch with his parents on Wednesday. He said his dad was going home from work, and the National Guard was checking every car as it passed the George Washington Bridge.

He said it was a long process as his dad was coming home.

Reilly's uncle is a firefighter and was working on Wednesday looking for dead bodies.

Reilly said he had not been able to get in touch with his cousin on Wednesday. "My cousin is still stuck in Manhattan," Reilly said. "As far as I know she is still there now."

Aviation program grounded after FAA no-fly rule

By Mindy Mixon
Sauce Reporter

Immediately following the terrorist bombing attack in New York, the Federal Aviation Administration issued a ruling that no planes were to fly until further notification.

Although the Natchitoches Regional Airport only averages assisting seventeen airplanes a day, they felt the repercussions from the FAA's orders.

"It is definitely bad for business," said Chris Oldelemyer who works at the airport. "Just this morning there was a guy who wanted to fly to Baton Rouge and now he's been delayed until tomorrow."

Fellow worker Brandon Mahl said, "this will affect the crop dusting industry and if delayed long would hurt the Northwestern aviation flight program - the students would get far behind."

The regional airport rarely performs security checks because they "never get anything big that comes through. We always keep an eye out for anything suspicious but that's only because we are looking for something to do," said Mahl. "Lots of little airports like us barely get looked at by the FAA."

Ironically, the NSU aviation program was scheduled for a FAA inspection today. Department Head David King said, "The inspector called to cancel, then shortly after the Air Traffic Control came across the radio telling everyone to land. We're shut down until further notice."



Photo by Nuri Vallbona/Miami Herald

Empty counters at American Airlines and non-existent lines were a common site at Miami International Airport, as well as, local airports.

The federal government issued a national order which grounded all flight activity. Those who continue to fly run the risk of being intercepted by military aircraft.

"We've canceled twenty flights today and we are very anxious to get back in the air," said King.

The aircraft that destroyed the World Trade Center Towers was a Boeing 757.

According to King it would be very easy to propel the jet into the enormous building.

"Once you get over the fear of dying on impact, it's very easy. Runways are 1-2 miles in length and 150 feet wide - if you can put a jet on a landing that small, then hitting a larger target is not a problem."

King described the jet as a bullet coming out of a gun. "It's a 600 mph projectile - it will collapse but until it runs out of energy, it has the power to plow through a building."

"I am feeling different feelings and emotions. We're still in the dark and this kind of thing touches you deep," King said. "This is what our graduates do - fly planes that could possibly be hijacked by terrorists and flown through a building. Many of our students fathers fly commercial airlines that fly out of New Jersey. This has hit close to home for most of this department."

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Justice Department won't pursue breaking up Microsoft

The Justice Department signaled its desire to quickly resolve the antitrust lawsuit against Microsoft Corp. on Thursday by dropping threats to dismember the company and to retry other aspects of its case.

Some analysts saw the unusual public announcement as a settlement offer from the Bush administration and the 18 remaining states that joined with the federal government in 1998 to sue Microsoft. The states quickly issued a joint statement concurring with the Justice Department's move.

"It's an important announcement the department didn't need to make, so to a significant extent it is a signal that they want a settlement," said Nicholas Economides, an economics professor at New York University's Leonard Stern School of Business.

Firms plan to hire 20 percent fewer college grads next year

Employers plan to scale back their hiring of new college graduates by almost 20 percent next year, according to a new study by the National Association of Colleges and Employers.

A survey of 439 employers nationwide found that employers plan to hire 19.7 percent fewer new grads, and 44 percent of employers plan to visit fewer schools for recruiting trips. Manufacturing and service companies are planning the most drastic cutbacks

College anti-alcohol effort a tough sell

Administrators at the University of Wisconsin-Madison can tell you the stories: Parents asking where their children can get fake identifications. Parents sneaking cases of vodka into dorm rooms, since their kids might have a hard time getting the booze on their own.

Just last week, some parents were caught drinking alcohol in a UW-Madison residence hall. So while an American Medical Association survey released August 29 indicates that parents are highly concerned about binge drinking and want universities and towns to crack down on the practice, there is still a small group of parents and students who do not see a problem.

Trading of bootlegged music online is wider than ever

More people are trading more bootlegged music online than ever before despite the recording industryís relentless legal battle to quash Internet piracy. A new generation of file-swapping sites have risen up from the Internet underground to fill the Napster void.

Football game versus Gardner-Webb scheduled to go on as planned

Northwestern State will host Gardner-Webb in a non-conference football game Saturday night as scheduled, provided the visiting team can travel from its North Carolina campus to Louisiana, said NSU director of athletics Greg Burke Wednesday evening.

The Gardner-Webb team has a charter flight scheduled for Friday and is awaiting resumption of air travel across the country, said Burke, in the wake of the terrorist attacks on New York City and Washington D.C. on Tuesday. Reports Wednesday indicate that commercial air travel could be permitted as early as Thursday.

Gardner-Webb is located in Boiling Springs, N.C., in the southern portion of that state.

Kickoff Saturday will be 6 p.m. Saturday at Turpin Stadium in Natchitoches.

"It has been appropriate to pause in our normal activities to cope with the shock of the events of Tuesday morning, and we believe that resuming competition Saturday is a healthy, patriotic course of action," said Burke.

"Our desire is to show the respect for what has occurred, for the suffering and loss of so many, and to pay tribute to our American way of life."

Greg Burke
NSU Director of Athletics

"Our desire is to show the respect for what has occurred, for the suffering and loss of so many, and to pay tribute to our American way of life," he said. "There is no better way to do so than to bring people together, and intercollegiate sports competition provides a unique and stirring venue."

"Our visitors from Gardner-Webb are very hopeful that the restrictions can be lifted in time for them to travel to north Louisiana because they also recognize how vital it is for all Americans, as much as possible and as quickly as is appropriate, to resume our normal lifestyles," said Burke.

The only other NSU athletic teams scheduled to compete this weekend have contests on the road. The Demon volleyball team will play Saturday at Sam Houston State to begin its Southland Conference season and will shift its Friday night contest at Texas-Arlington to Sunday.

The Demon soccer team will play Sunday at Oral Roberts. A game at Oklahoma State, originally slated Friday, could be rescheduled for Friday or Monday. The NSU cross country teams compete Monday evening at Stephen F. Austin.

It's Reigning Men

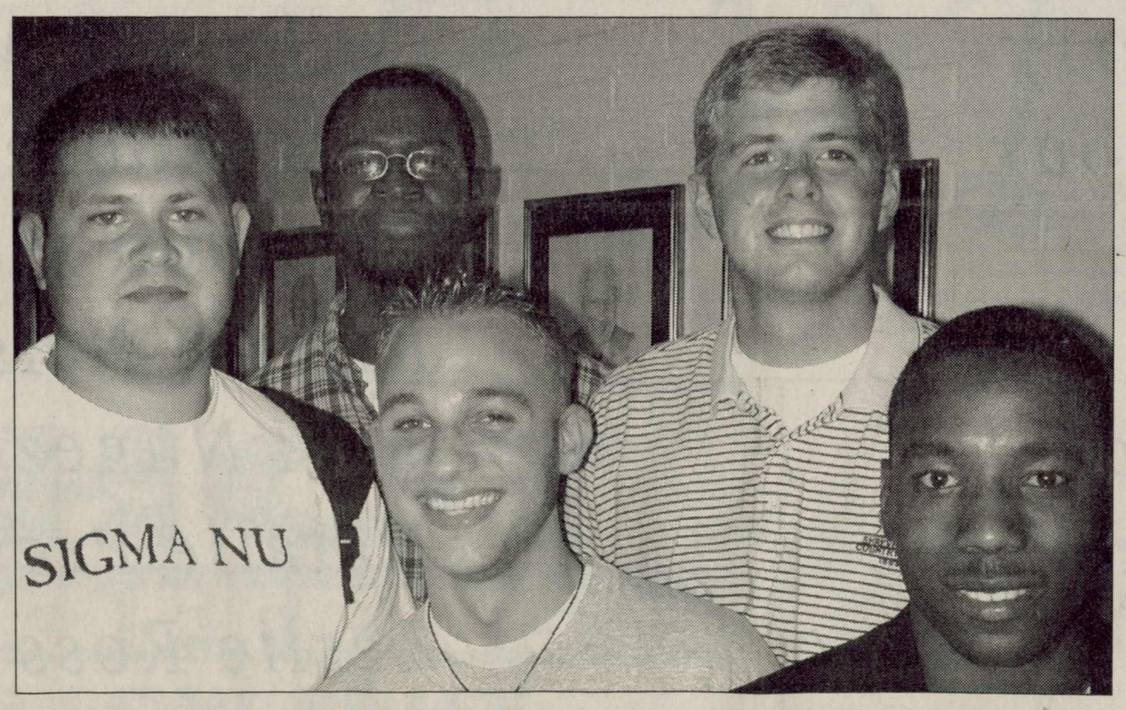


Photo by Rachael Kidd

Pictured above are five of the 17 men who are nominated for the 2001 Homecoming Court. The five pictured are: (from left to right) Nathan Collier, John Birch, Will Hooper, Justin Owen and Timmy Watts. See pages 9 and 10 for a full list of both male and female homecoming court nominees.

So Fresh, So Clean

Men named to the Homecoming Court for the first time in school history

By Mindy Mixon
Sauce Reporter

This years homecoming court is going to double in size. For the first time in Northwestern State history, men will be allowed to walk across Turpin Stadium as royalty.

The nomination and voting process will remain the same, the only exception is that students will now vote for ten men as well as ten women. The male and female with the most votes takes the title of King and Queen and the remaining eighteen will comprise the honor court.

All families will be invited to attend the festivities. Traditionally the fathers have escorted the ladies onto the field, however, from now on that honor belongs to the honor court males.

The brains behind this ruling is Vanessa Byrd, former Student Government Association member. Byrd researched and sponsored the bill to put men on the homecoming court. "I got the idea from a friend of mine who is president of SGA at McNeese. He said that they have men on their homecoming court and we should too."

Not only does McNeese have men on the royal court but so do six of the eight schools in the University of Louisiana System that includes Northwestern. "We needed to catch up with the trend," said vice-president of SGA Dustin Matthews. "I would venture to say that 90% of the Senate passed the bill. The few who opposed it did so because of tradition and not wanting to anger alumnae."

Buster Carlisle, commissioner of student affairs, opposed the bill stating, "its always been just girls and its been an honor for the dads to walk the girls across the field. Dad's don't always get a lot of credit and this was their opportunity to be a part of the homecoming tradition. Northwestern does quite a few things differently than other Louisiana schools - trends aren't always a good thing."

Student Activities Board president Michelle Meyer expects a positive response from the student body. "This is a good change for males and females. It's only fair because this isn't an all girl school. Because of this bill, men will be represented on the court."

Meyer predicts that the program time will remain the same.

Voting for the court takes place September 19-20 in Iberville and the Student Union.

October 20th, the Demon's will do battle with the Nicholl's State Colonels on Homecoming Day.

For a Complete list of Homecoming Nominees, turn to pages 9,10

Campus Connections

ARGUS

The new editions of *Argus*, the NSU literary and art magazine, are ready and can be picked up for free in room 335 of Kyser hall.

CAREER DAY

Career Day will be held on Sept.. 25 in the Student Union Ballroom.9 a.m. to 11 a.m., seniors only. All other classifications are welcome from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. For more info call 357-5621 or email booner@nsula.edu.

DISNEY

Disney is giving a presentation about paid internships on Sept. 20 at 5 p.m. in Russel Hall Room 107. All majors and college levels are eligible.

NATIVE AMERICAN STUDENT ASSOCIATION

The Native American Student Association will have a meeting on Sept.. 17 at 4 p.m. in room 208 of Kyser (Williamson Museum) For more info call 357-4341 Monday through Friday before noon.

NSU CLUB SOCCER

NSU Club Soccer invites anyone who is interested in playing club soccer to their practices which are held behind Watson library at 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday and Sunday.

SPANISH CLUB

The Spanish Club would like to invite potential members to its weekly meetings, every Wednesday at 3 p.m. in room 331 of Kyser Hall.

T.O.P.S

Jeff Cropo will be hosting a TOPS retention seminar October 2 at 4 p.m. in Magale Hall.

ZETA PHI BETA SIGMA

A candlelight Vigil will be held at 8:20 p.m. today in The Alley in memory of the late Kesha Phills.

CATHOLIC STUDENT ORGANIZATION

The CSO will be having weekly Bible studies every Tuesday at 8 p.m. at the center. Everyone is welcome. There will also be a praise and worship service Wednesday. LCCS education weekend on Sept. 21. For any information call Amy Dowden at 352-2615 or email to amyburson@hotmail.com.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES BOARD

The SAB will sponsor a fellowship and candle lighting for Tuesday's tragedy. The fellowship will begin at 9 p.m. Friday in the Student Union Ballroom. Following the fellowship there will be a candle light walk to Turpin Stadium before the pep rally. All students, from every religion, are encouraged to attend.

SOCIETY OF PROFESSIONAL JOURNALISTS

The Society of Professional Journalists will meet at 4 p.m. Wednesday in room 107 of Kyser Hall. Anyone interested may attend.

***To see your Campus Connections in next week's edition of The Current Sauce, drop off your information in the Campus Connection box in room 225 of Kyser Hall.**

SGA Minutes 9-11-01

I. Call to Order- 7:05 p.m.
The prayer was lead by Mr. Henry. The pledge was lead by Dustin Matthews.

Roll Call
Present
Leanna Anderson
Lawrence Anglin
Rusty Broussard
Buster Carlisle
Greg Comeaux
Stacie Cosby
Jessica Cramer
"Wild" Bill Eilers
Dustin Floyd
Jennifer Fox
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Liz Hughes
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Shelly Smith
Cade Strong
Frank Toro
Timmy Watts
Torrey Washington
Travis Williams
Absent
Jessica Cormier
Will Hooper
Patrick Peoples
Lindsay Statham

II. Executive Reports

Treasurer- Frank Toro
We have an estimated $25,000 per year. We have $16,000 for Fall. Wants the Senate to approve Homecoming Crown and the Scantron Giveaway.

Vice President -Dustin Matthews
Wants to see all Departmental Heads after meeting.

President - Rusty Broussard
Welcome. Thanks for everyone who showed up at the game. Please help promote elections. Congrats to all Senators who have been acclimated. Media board has meeting Wed. At 3:00 p.m. Rusty will meet with Dr. Tucker the head librarian at 11:00 a.m. on Wed. If anybody wants to come they are welcome. The meeting with Dr. Webb last Friday went well. Please remember your office hours. CUSBAS last conference will be October 8th and 9th. Rusty took a list of who is willing to go. He will decide.

III. Departmental Reports

Academic Affairs- Jessica Cramer
Her committee is working on finding a speaker for the Distinguishing Lecture Series. Daniel Quinn is high on their list of choices. Mr. Henry asked her to have their top choices by the middle of October.

External Affairs- Greg Comeaux
Meeting at 2:00 Wed. Radio show is Tues. from 9:00-12:00. Zack is the new web page chair. Greg wants to see Molly and Sarah after the meeting.

Fiscal Affairs- Frank Toro
Fee Review meeting will be Wed. at 1:30 or 3:00. Justin is heading that up. Greg is doing Organizational Grants. They procreate loans for events. Scott is heading Club Sports.
Internal Affairs- Dustin Floyd
Meeting will be Monday at 4:00. Checks our office hours.

Student Affairs- Buster Carlisle
Thursday at 4:00 there will be a meeting with ARAMARK.

Advisor's Report- Mr. Henry
Do NOT wear any organizational shirts when helping with elections. Elections are very important. No posters in the lobby of in the line of vision of voting booths. Kesha Phills passed away yesterday. She helped us a great deal and will be missed.
Supreme Court Report- Jeremiah Newsom

IV. Old Business

Dustin Floyd moved to return the power of the budget to the Senate.
Motion passes by general consent.

V. New Business

Justin Owen moved to approve 109.99 to purchase homecoming crown.
Stacie Cosby seconds.
Roll Call Vote 24-0-0 Motion Passes.

Greg Comeaux moved to approve the purchase of a new phone for the SGA office
Justin Owen seconds.
Discussion.
Roll Call Vote 16-7-1 abstention. Motion Passes.

Dustin Floyd moved to approve Bo Welborn, Randi Broussard, and Misty Garrett to complete the election board.
Motion seconded.
Motion passes by general consent.

Jessica Cramer moved to approve the Organizational Grant Legislation FA01-002.
Justin Owen seconded.
Roll Call Vote 23-0-1 Motion Passes.

Dustin Floyd read the Risk Management regarding Alcohol and Drug Policy. He also read the Hazing Policy.

"Wild" Bill Eilers made a motion to approve the Academic Scantron Giveaway.
Justin Owen seconded.
Roll Call Vote 23-0-0 Motion Passes.

Rusty administrated the Oath of Office to Jeremy Henriques and Justin Owen.

Jessica Cramer moved to resend the Fee Increase Bill SP-01-66.
Justin Owen seconded.
Discussion.
Motion Passes by General Consent.

Greg asked for 6 members to complete Organizational Grants Committee. Greg took the names down.

VI. Announcements

Club Sports please meet after the meeting.

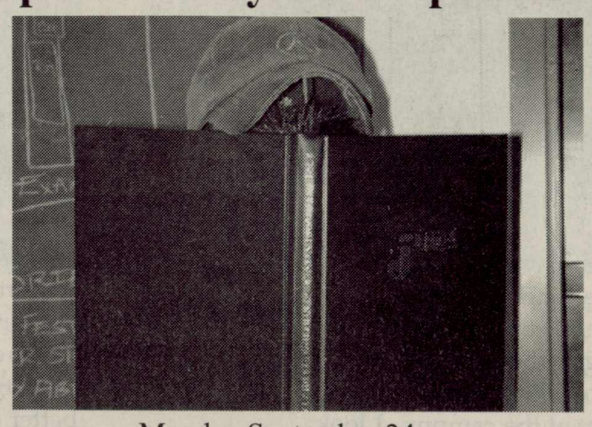
Rusty needs Greg and Mr. Henry to see him after the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

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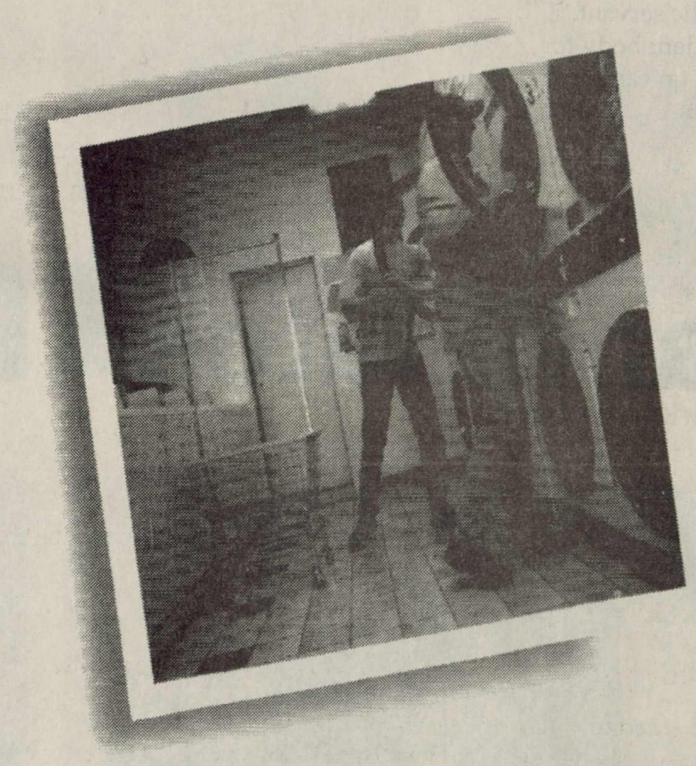


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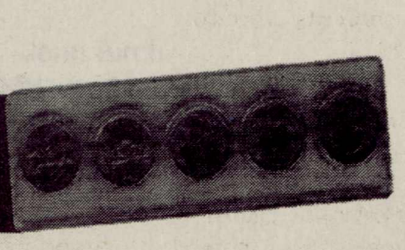
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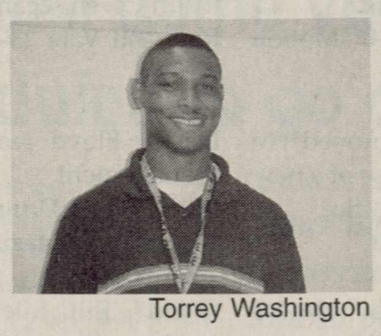
SGA candidates address students for upcoming election

Freshman Candidates



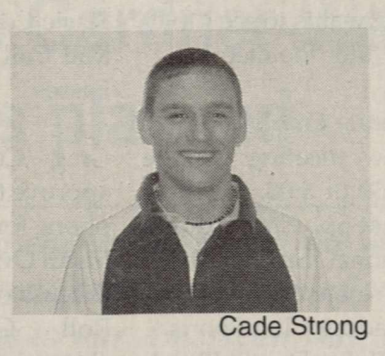
Linzie Ledford

I am running for Freshman Senator. As a student-athlete I have been able to observe the excellent opportunities Northwestern athletics offers in the form of an experienced coaching staff, a positive atmosphere, and a continuing desire for Demon dominance.



Torrey Washington

If I were to be elected, as your freshman class senator one of the first things I would work toward would be more funding for more culturally diverse activities and maybe one-day in the not too distant future see a center for these kinds of things. I would also like to work toward better improvement of the roads.



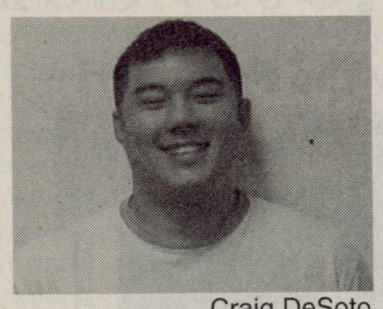
Cade Strong

I, Cade Strong, have served on Marcy, Student Council, Beta Club, Key Club, and many other student organizations during high school. However, it's not what's in the past, but what I can offer SGA in the future. With the support of the student body I know I will be capable of making NSU a better place.



Mindy McConnell

As your class senator, I promise to do everything in my power to provide you with everything necessary to make your years at Northwestern ones which you will cherish for the rest of your lives. My background provides ample experience in leadership and social development.



Craig DeSoto

I am running for Freshman Class Senator. I was a strong leader in my high school among the football team as well as the rest of the campus. I look forward to representing the freshman class here at Northwestern State University.



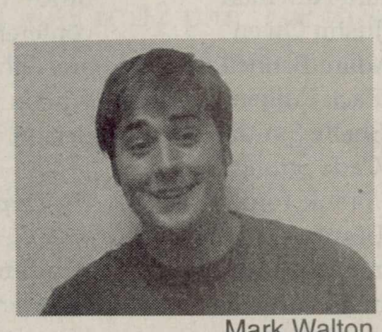
Natalie Prewitt

Because of the importance of student government on Northwestern's campus I feel that students should have a better awareness and interaction with SGA. As a public relations major I feel that I possess the knowledge and ability to introduce the students to a new side of



Samantha Jo Foley

I am thrilled to be a part of Northwestern's family. One of my main goals to achieve during my college career is to become an asset to the university. As an active SGA senator would work toward the well-being and convenience of all students.

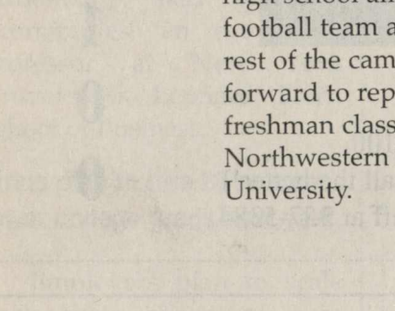


Mark Walton

I'd be a great fit as your Freshman Senator. In h\high school, I was Student Council vice-president and student yell leader my senior year. I was a great leader on my high school campus and I am looking forward to being one throughout my years here at NSU. Thanks for your support.

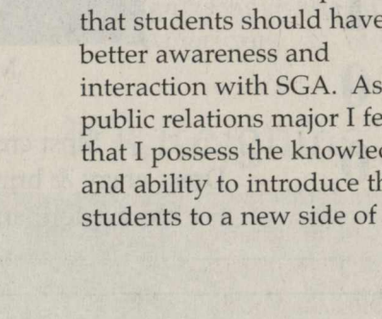
My name is Marc Johnson and I am a freshman here at NSU running for the position of freshman senator of the Student Government Association. I feel that as freshman senator I would fulfill the responsibilities of being what this position demands of me and that is to be a public servant. I will put forth the effort needed to serve the student body to the best of my ability, and if any problem arises on campus then you can come and talk to me, Marc Johnson.

Sophomore Candidates



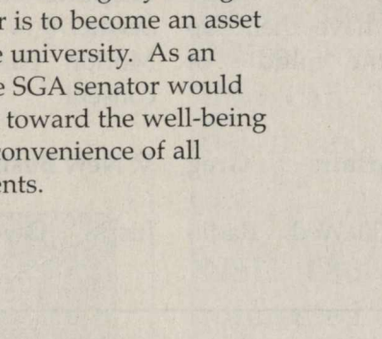
Jennifer Fox

If I am elected as a sophomore class senator I plan to work on trying to get organizations the money they need in order to reach the students all over campus and help everyone get involved. I have recently been appointed and have already started work as a senator.



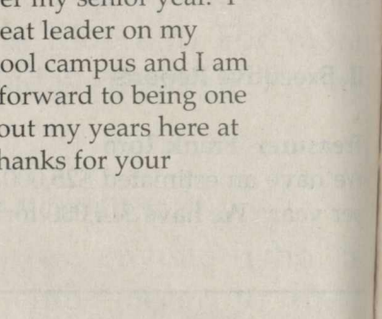
Judith Jade Thibodeaux

It has been apparent to me throughout my education at Northwestern that SGA is the cornerstone of this university. From my observations, I feel that students need to be informed of the decisions made by student government as well as the standard that Northwestern's SGA has set for other



Zachary Pullman

I am running for class senator with two goals. First, I plan to do everything possible to help move along the renovation of the IM building. I also want to improve the efficiency of the university's internet site. With this in mind, I hope that you will support me in my endeavors.



Leslie Bean

I believe that students do come first at Northwestern. I know that if I received a position on SGA I would be a model leader for the rights of a student. While many students focus on the negative aspects of dorm life, I plan to spend much time making dorm life a positive experience.

Laura Smith

Normally as an outgoing person, I enjoy talking to and getting to know people. Being involved on campus is important to me, and this position would allow me to give the second year students at NSU a voice in the Student Government. If I am elected I will take the office very seriously.

Shelley Smith

As sophomore class senator, I would begin to implement a program for summer school students. It would consist of an ice cold snowball on those long, hot summer days. I would also look into paving the new parking lot by the business building across from the IM building.

Elizabeth Hughes

In the past year as a Senator, I have served on traffic appeals, and as co-chairman of the spring 2001 elections board. I have sponsored many bills that would benefit the students of Northwestern State University. I hope to continue my work on SGA into the coming year.

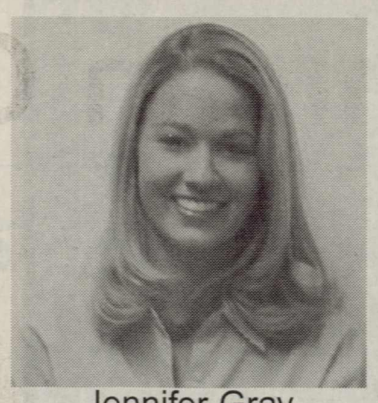
Jeremy Malmay

Homecoming, male and female, and Mr. and Miss NSU


Amy Wakefield


April Washington


Felicia Price

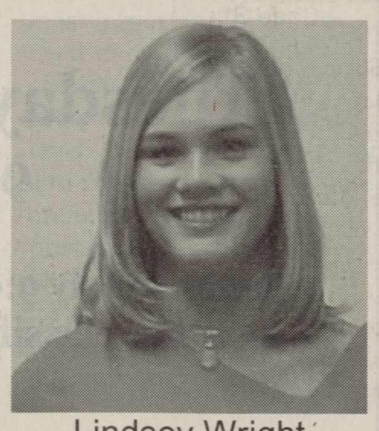

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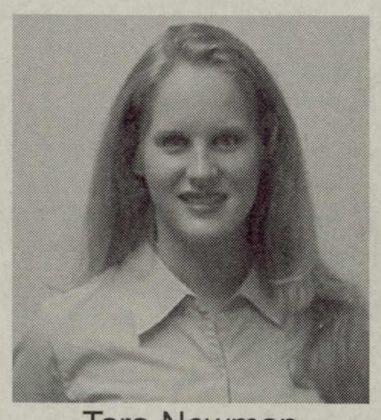

Robin Samson


Sarah Festel


Sarah Griffith


Shondale Smith


Stacey Thompson

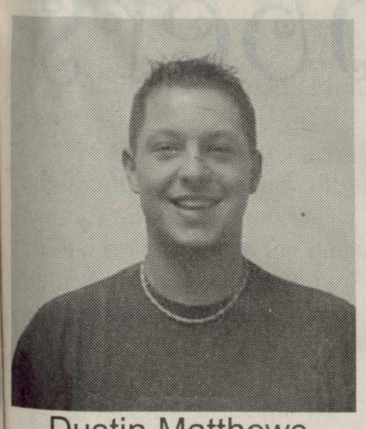

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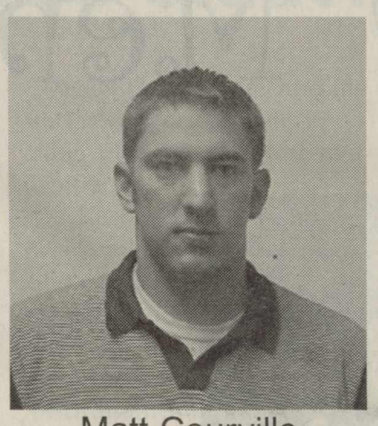

Terrica Wallace

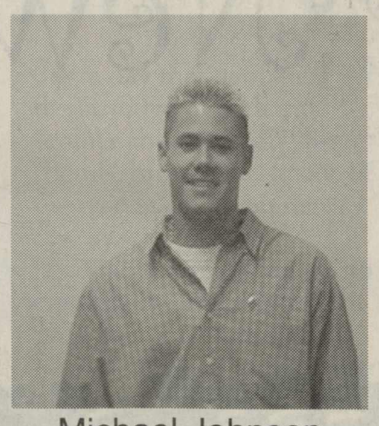

Angela Warnock

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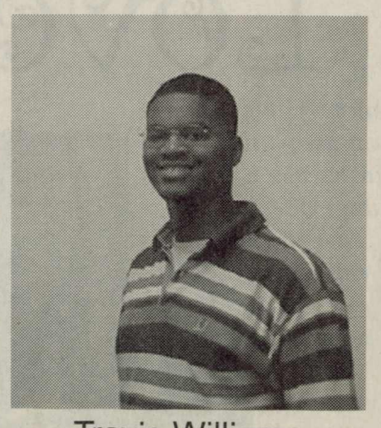
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Jeanne Gay
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Michelle Meyer
Molly Beach
Yolonda Gant

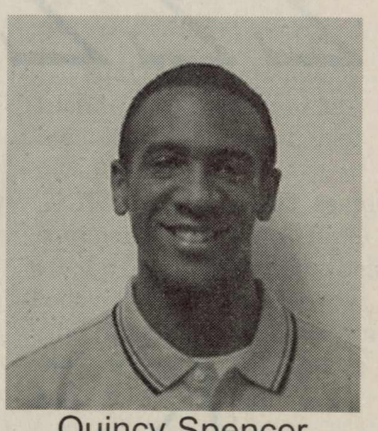

Dustin Matthews

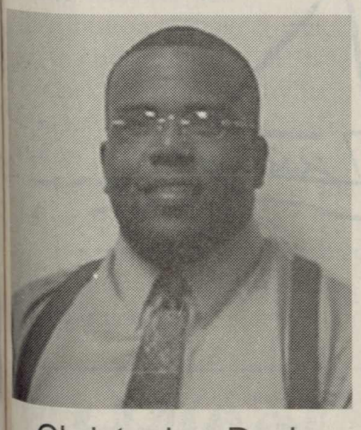

Matt Courville

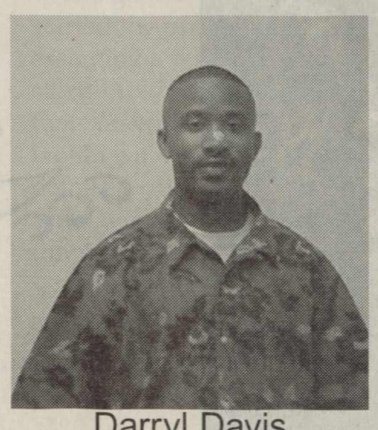

Michael Johnson


Will Hooper


Travis Williams


Quincy Spencer


Christopher Davis


Darryl Davis


David Frederick

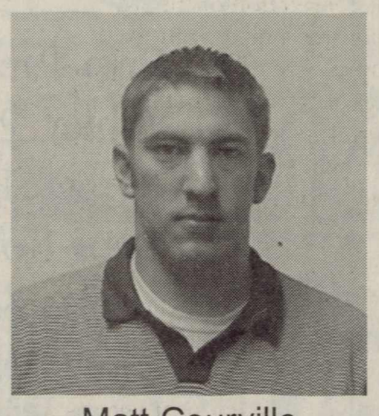

Justin Owen

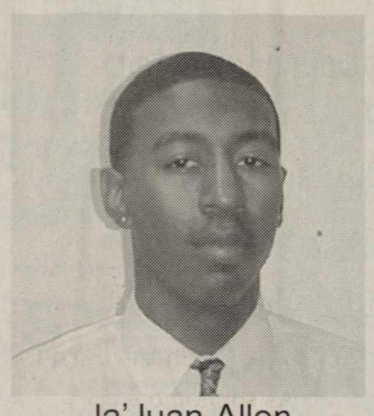

Timmy Watts

Other male nominees:

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Charles Todd
Christopher Davis
Jared Hewitt
John Birch
Myron Harris
Nathan Collier


Will Hooper


Matt Courville


Ja'Juan Allen


Brett Chiquet

Other Mr. NSU nominees:

John Birch
Nathan Collier


Shondale Smith


Sarah Griffith

Other Miss NSU nominees:

Mo;;y Beach
Shelly Miller



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Allison Landry
Heather Lawrence
Linzi Ledford
Sarah McHale
Andrea McManus
Grace Montgomery
Erin Murphy
Brittany Opperman

Erin Parker
Ashley Primeaux
Raegan Rivers
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Student Reflects on Terrorist Attacks

Ladies and Gentlemen of NSU,

A tragedy has befallen our country. Persons with some obvious hatred for the United States and our way of life have engaged in various terrorist actions that, in the end, will have resulted in the deaths of tens of thousands of people.

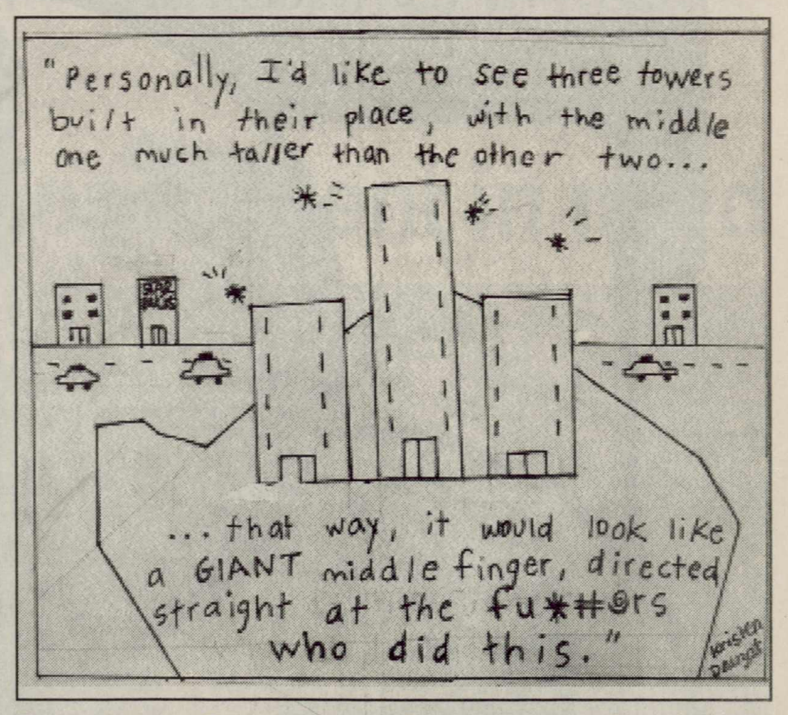
Most people, myself included, are looking for a target. After cooler heads prevailed, I came to the conclusion that there were more important matters to deal with. First and foremost, these people need blood. This is a great time to tell the world of the importance of giving blood regularly.

Second, we now realize how susceptible we are to attack. While these attacks did take place in New York and Washington, they could have happened anywhere. As a collective group, we all need to be guarded in our actions and where we go. America has been fortunate over the past years. Our largest bombing in past years killed 168 people, this time that many died on those jets alone.

Finally, and this is the most important thing, we need to hold our public officials accountable for protection on the national level. Make sure our senators and congressmen and women are working with the president to combat domestic terrorism. Bipartisan spirit for combating terrorism needs to be the order of the day, not just a catch phrase. If our politicians cannot agree on a method for combating terrorism, then we need to find new ones.

Justice will come those who are responsible for this. While it will come eventually, America needs to accelerate the process. We need to make quick work of hunting these people and dealing with them accordingly.

Sincerely,
William Eilerss

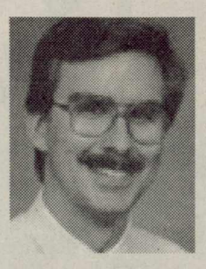


Columnist believes "war has been declared on America"

Many Americans watched thousands or even tens of thousands of their fellow citizens die before their eyes Tuesday morning.

Even the chilling sight of a civilian passenger aircraft angling into position for a direct crash into one of the 110-story twin towers could not prepare us for what was next.

We watched live video of the tower as its top 30 or so stories burned. And then, the top of the building collapsed before our eyes. We watched in stunned silence as it impacted on the structure immediately below, starting a horrible chain reaction of destruction. We knew immediately that an incomprehensibly high number of human lives were lost in those few seconds.



Tom Mitsoff
Guest columnist

It didn't take long to realize that what we were witnessing was the result of perhaps the single most deadly attack against Americans, either on foreign or domestic soil.

Tuesday's Kamikaze-style attacks were nothing less than a direct attack against the people and property of the United States of America. The enemy didn't use bombs, didn't use missiles and didn't use ground or sea forces. Don't let anyone try to tell you that this was merely someone's attempt to make a statement. We will remember Tuesday, Sept. 11, 2001, as the day that the nation's eyes were opened forever to the scope of the threat posed by foreign terrorists. It was the day that an individual or group as yet unidentified declared war on the United States of America.

This is the first time many have experienced the horror of a successful attack of large magnitude against the United States by a foreign interest.

We are now at war. We're not exactly sure with whom, although it should become fairly clear in short order. Nobody is in favor of civilian casualties or the loss of human life of any kind. But the time has come for the United States to exercise its might and position as the world's superpower, and to spare no expense and leave no stone or nation untuned to locate and capture and-or eradicate the perpetrators. President Bush Tuesday morning vowed to do just that.

It's time that we show not only the perpetrators of this attack, but other terrorists who have designs on U.S. interests, that we are not to be messed with. In the aftermath of the terrorists being captured or eradicated, it is important that other terror interests in the world be left shaking in their shoes at the enormity, precision and the decisiveness of the U.S. response.

We mourn the thousands and perhaps tens of thousands of Americans who died Tuesday in New York, Washington D.C., and near Pittsburgh. We must defend our way of life and avenge their senseless deaths by realizing we are at war and eradicating our enemy.

Tom Mitsoff

Editor's take

Death of NSU student not forgotten in wake of terrorist attacks

I didn't know Kesha Phills very well.

We rarely spoke to each other, but we knew each other enough to speak when we passed each other in the halls. But generally, I only saw her when I had some business to tend to in the Office of Student Activities.

In fact, the last time we spoke was a few weeks ago. I, along with my new distribution manager, was giving out copies of the *Sauce* to Carl Henry, Mrs. Phyllis and anyone else in the SAB office.

Kesha yelled, "Is that the new paper? I want one."

I gave her one and replied, "you know, I made this one just for you."

She thanked me, and me and my associate went to other places in the Student Union.

Kesha Phills died last weekend after a heart attack. She was 30 years old.

I heard the news Monday morning, about 24 hours before everyone's life would be dramatically altered.

Some of her sorority sisters gave us the news, and I started the process of assigning a writer to cover the story. I told some of her sisters that someone from the *Sauce* would call and get all the details, including funeral arrangements and other information.

Then Tuesday came.

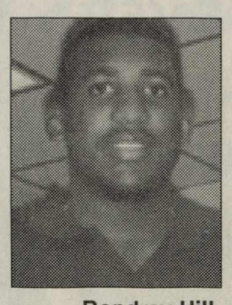
A beautiful late summer day, a day that happened to be the birthday of both my brother and one of my best friends, turned into to one of the worst days in human history.

The *Sauce* staff went into crisis mode. The entire front page had to be redesigned. New stories had to be written, local angles on national stories had to be found, photos had to be taken.

Whatever had been planned to go on the front page had to go.

We made the decision to hold off on all news that could be held until next week to make room for the massive amounts of information that would soon come.

And as such, Kesha's friends and sisters never got a phone call from us.



Rondray Hill
Editor's take

Now that I think about it, it's probably best that Kesha didn't live through this weekend. She didn't have to see how low humans could go on each other.

She didn't have to watch endless replays of collapsing rubble and huge fireballs.

She didn't have to see people hanging outside of towering infernos, 100 stories up.

The death toll from Tuesday's attack has been said to be as high as the thousands. Many more in Washington will be dead before the final statistics will be told.

But we cannot forget that earlier this week, our NSU family numbered one less.

So while this week has been one that none of us ever wants to image happening again, let's not forget about Kesha, her family, friends and co-workers.

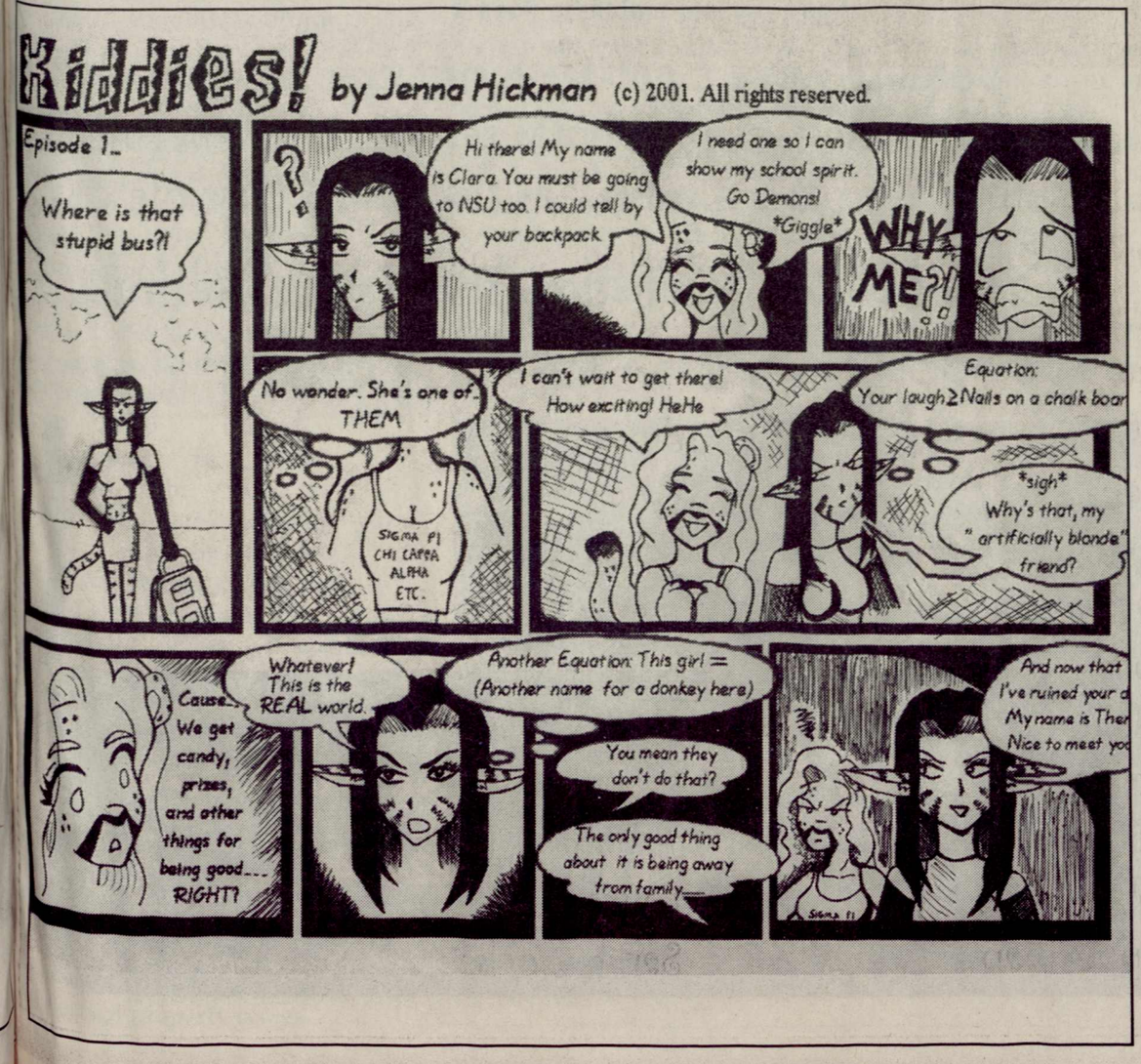
Zeta Phi Beta Sigma will hold a candlelight vigil tonight at 8:20 in the Alley.

If you can't attend, then at least think about her when your hear about the other victims in this week's tragedy in New York.

And call your family, friends, loved ones and let them know how much they mean to you.

This week, as well as this summer, should have taught all of us that we could be here today and gone tommorrow. And not everyone has the time that you , me or anyone else alive at this moment has.

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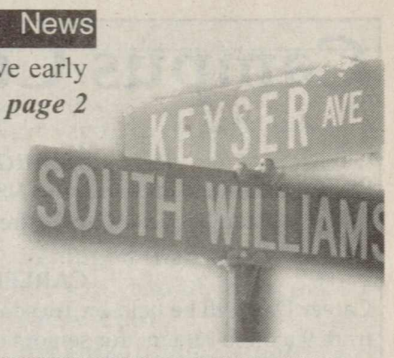


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University holds blood drive for student in need

By Rob Morgan
Sauce Reporter

A blood drive is being held for Ross Kaplan next Thursday at the ROTC building beginning at 3:30pm.

Kaplan, an NSU student and ROTC cadet, was traveling to the Leesville campus for class when a full-sized truck crossed the centerline and struck his car head-on. Both drivers suffered serious injuries and were taken to the Natchitoches Parish Hospital. Kaplan was later transported to Cristus St. Frances Cabrini Hospital in Alexandria.

"He was trying to hard to be a student," Lieutenant Colonel Claton Chandler said about Kaplan, who he describes as a "dedicated and focused cadet and student."

Kaplan, a graduate student at NSU, used to serve as a policeman with the New York City Police Department in the 1st precinct, which is the precinct over the World Trade Center.

"Every media was covering the terrorist attack and he laid in his bed wondering how many of his 'brothers' were lost in the line of duty," Lt. Col. Chandler said, 'because chances are that he served with some of them."

Lt. Col. Chandler does not expect Kaplan's plans of being commissioned in the Army's military police to be compromised by the accident.

"All of the indicators up to this point is he will pass p.t. and get a commission in May of this upcoming year," Lt. Col. Chandler said of Kaplan's future in the military.

Kaplan has received eight units of blood to date, and for every unit donated he will be credited $12 toward the cost of transfusions already given. In action to the donation of blood, monetary donations of any size can be made to City Bank and Trust Co., 600 College Ave., Natchitoches, LA 71457 and should be marked or made payable to: Ross Kaplan Medical Fund.

Jason James, a senior ROTC cadet, hopes people will give.

"Kaplan has a wife and five month old daughter, and he is the primary bread winner for them," James said.

Any additional information can be obtained by calling the NSU ROTC Department at (318) 357-5157 or toll free at (800) 217-6045.

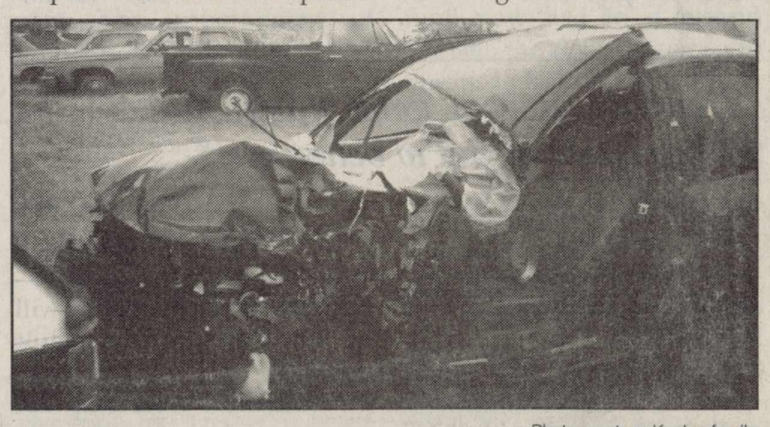


Photo courtesy Kaplan family
Kaplan survived the head-on collision, however, the car was totaled.

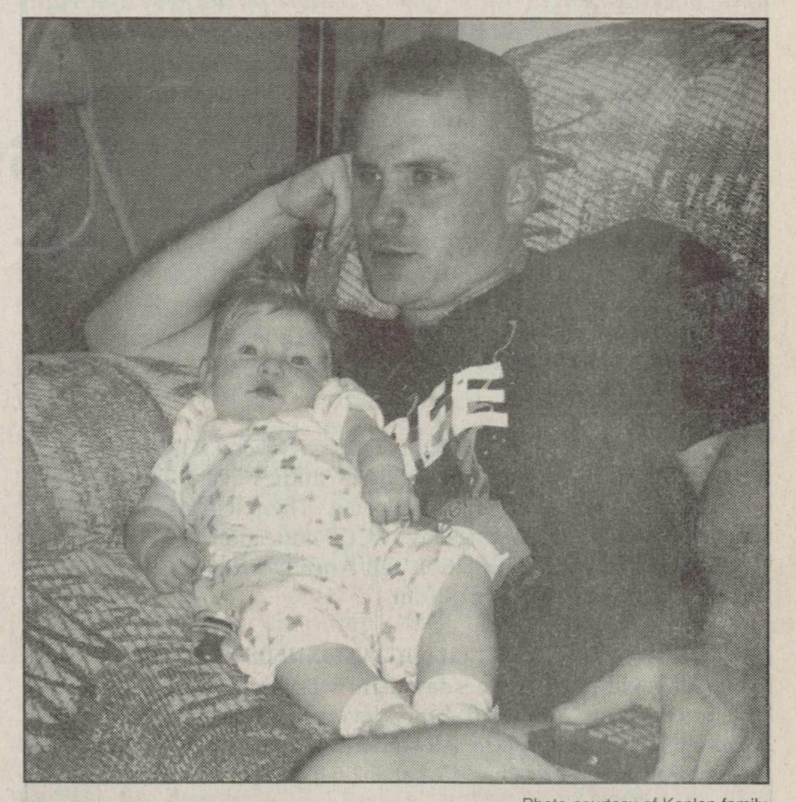


Photo courtesy of Kaplan family
Ross Kaplan and daughter, Sidney, enjoy time together on the couch.

Sauce Briefs

University sets new enrollment

By Bess Renfrow
Sauce Reporter

The numbers are in and, once again, Northwestern has a record enrollment. The total number of students attending Northwestern is 9,415. Incoming freshmen make up 1,934 of these students. Ms. Jana Lucky, Director of Admissions, confirmed this count.

Suit filed against makers of *Girls Gone Wild*

By James L. Rosica
Knight Ridder Newspapers

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. - A Florida State University student is saying she unwittingly and unfairly became a "girl gone wild."

The woman is suing the makers of the "Girls Gone Wild" video series, saying they videotaped her without her permission while she was topless on New Orleans' Bourbon Street at last year's Mardi Gras celebration.

The student, identified as B.G. to protect her privacy, did not know she was in the videos until friends told her they saw her in a television advertisement, her suit said. Other friends told her they saw her topless on a billboard for the video in Florence, Italy.

Market is growing for discarded Web addresses

By Reid Kanaley
Knight Ridder Newspapers

PHILADELPHIA - When the folks at Wyndmoor, Pa.-based Irish Edition found the Web address for their 15,000-circulation monthly cultural newspaper taken over by a porn site, they scrambled to find out what had happened.

They discovered this: There is a growing market for discarded dot-com domain names, and online opportunists had purchased the newspaper's address last month after Irish Edition had inadvertently let its own dot-com claim lapse.

In a peculiar development in online commerce, the rush to register an ever-dwindling supply of catchy domain names has fueled a rush for expired Web addresses.

And the demand is not likely to abate anytime soon, even with the coming of .info, .biz and .shop domains.

"For a long time to come," there will continue to be "some sort of cachet in having a dot-com," said Polk Wagner, a University of Pennsylvania law professor versed in electronic-commerce, domain-name and intellectual-property issues.

Sounds of Silence

Nation pauses; remembers last week's terrorist attacks

By Martin Merzer
Knight Ridder Newspapers

WASHINGTON - Sensing that Afghanistan may be more flexible than expected, the Bush administration on Tuesday intensified its diplomatic crusade to capture Osama bin Laden.

A burst of classic carrot-and-stick bargaining came amid reports that Afghanistan's Taliban leaders might be willing to deport the alleged mastermind of last week's terrorist assault on the United States - if they can be convinced of his guilt.

"There is a big meeting going on and we are awaiting a decision from the Taliban," a spokesman for Pakistan's government said. "We think it's best to give diplomacy a chance."

French president pledges help

Tuesday evening French President Jacques Chirac pledged his nation's help in the U.S.-led war on terrorism during an Oval Office meeting with President Bush.

"We are naturally prepared to work in complete solidarity with the United States and do everything that is necessary, in consultation with them, to reach this target, which is the elimination of terrorism," Chirac said, the first foreign leader to huddle with Bush since last week's terrorist attacks.

America pauses for reflection; dead and missing toll reaches 5,873

Meanwhile, in New York, Washington and across the nation, many Americans paused for prayer and reflection Tuesday - the one-week anniversary of the terrorist blitz that leveled the World Trade Center, damaged the Pentagon, pulverized four hijacked jetliners and transformed America and the world.

The number of dead and missing stood at 5,873, a toll nearly impossible to fathom. Never before have so many Americans been killed on home soil on a single day.

At 8:48 a.m., the precise moment a week earlier when the first plane speared the trade center's north tower, President Bush joined 300 members of his White House staff on the South Lawn. New York City rescue crews briefly ceased their work. And radio stations and television networks filled the nation's airwaves with patriotic songs.

"Out of our tears and sadness, we saw the best of America," Bush said later during a Rose Garden ceremony honoring rescue workers. "We saw a great country rise up to help."

He said $55 million had been raised from online contributions to major charities, and he announced a web site that will help people contribute both money and time to the recovery effort. Information about the

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Photo by Mike Ewen/Tallahassee Democrat
Tallahassee Community College student Jane Dudley pauses during a moment of silence to reflect on the lives lost during last weeks terrorist attack.



Photo by Jim Barcus/Kansas City Star
Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfield addresses the media during a press at the Pentagon.

Campus Connections

ARGUS

The new editions of *Argus*, the NSU literary and art magazine, are ready and can be picked up for free in room 335 of Kyser hall.

CAREER DAY

Career Day will be held on Tuesday in the Student Union Ballroom from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m., for seniors only. All other classifications are welcome from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. For more info call 357-5621 or email booner@nsula.edu.

DISNEY

Disney is giving a presentation about paid internships November 15 at 5 p.m. in Russel Hall Room 107. All majors and college levels are eligible.

NSU CLUB SOCCER

NSU Club Soccer invites anyone who is interested in playing club soccer to their practices which are held behind Watson library at 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday and Sunday.

SPANISH CLUB

The Spanish Club would like to invite potential members to its weekly meetings, every Wednesday at 3 p.m. in room 331 of Kyser Hall.

T.O.P.S

Jeff Cropo will be hosting a TOPS retention seminar October 2 at 4 p.m. in Magale Hall.

CATHOLIC STUDENT ORGANIZATION

The CSO will be having weekly Bible studies every Tuesday at 8 p.m. at the center. Everyone is welcome. There will also be a praise and worship service Wednesday. LCCS education weekend is this weekend. For any information call Amy Dowden at 352-2615 or email to amyburson@hotmail.com.

BAPTIST COLLEGIATE MINISTRY

The BCM will have Wednesday night worship at the BCM, across the street from Watson Library, every Wednesday night. The worship begins at 8:31 p.m. All students are welcome to attend. For more information call the BCM at 352-5464.

CIRCLE K INTERNATIONAL

Circle K International invites you its meetings every Tuesday night at 8:30 p.m. in room 320 of the Student Union. Members, Friday is CKI Pride day, so wear your t-shirts. The Po-boy sale is this Saturday. Tickets are $4 and include a chicken or sausage po-boy, chips and a drink. For more information call Jessica at 357-5974.

PANHELLENIC COUNCIL

James Malinchak is speaking at 7 p.m. in the Student Union Ballroom next Thursday. Please come.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES BOARD

The SAB's 2001 Fall Fest has been rescheduled for next Thursday from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. in front of the Student Union. The SAB is also sponsoring a Coffee House next Monday at 8 p.m. in the Alley. There will be games, "Who Wants to be $100 Richer?", and free food.

***To see your Campus Connections in next week's edition of The Current Sauce, drop off your information in the Campus Connection box in room 225 of Kyser Hall.**

Construction begins on Keyser Avenue bridge

By Mindy Mixon
Sauce Reporter

In roughly eighteen months, a three-lane bridge complete with a turning lane will replace the current bridge on Keyser Avenue.

The current bridge was built in the late 1960's with the intent of being temporary.

"I have no idea why it took so long," said Jonathan Lachey with the Department of Transportation said. "The bridge is functionally obsolete and can't handle the amount of traffic it receives."

"It is definitely time for a new bridge," Courtney Hornsby, main street manager for the mayor's office said. "This will help ease the flow of traffic - there will be two lanes going opposite directions and a turning lane in the center."

The Ruston Angelo Iafrate Construction Company is currently construction a temporary bridge to serve as a detour when they demolish the bridge residents know as Keyser Street Bridge.



Photo by Rachael Kidd
Construction has begun on the Keyser Avenue bridge. Job is expected to be finished within 18 months of the beginning of the construction.

"The temporary bridge should be completed by January," Hornsby said. "And the final, permanent bridge is scheduled to be completed within 300 working days, depending on the weather conditions."

Drivers can expect a few delays before this project is completed.

"Of course there will be some minor setbacks," Lachey said. "When we are switching traffic from the current bridge to the temporary bridge, it will require some re-routing. But I don't expect it to be too bad."

The DOTD originally wanted to expand the bridge to five lanes, however this was met with opposition from the Historic Society.

"From what I understand, some residents didn't want a larger bridge because it would take away from the history of Natchitoches and add extra pressure to the bricks on Front Street," said Lachey.

"We weren't the only ones who targeted this new five-lane bridge," Sharon Gahagan, chairman of the Natchitoches Historic District Commission said. "We wanted to keep the integrity of the historic society. This is a wonderful example of how all the organizations came together and found a solutions."

SGA plans for $40,000 renovation of student union

By Rob Morgan
Sauce Reporter

An adult learning theatre to be placed in the student union is in the early planning stages by the Student Government Association.

This learning theatre will be geared toward non-traditional students, but traditional students will also be allowed access to the equipment, which will consist of two tutorial computers, a plasma television, a DVD player, and a sound system. The $40,000 for this project will be taken from the student technology fund that all students pay into.

Laura Ellis, a junior in veterinary technology, called the idea "ridiculous."

"They could use the money as a fund for non-traditional students," Ellis said.

"Honestly, it is a good thing, though, the money could be put to better use."

Aaron Ravare
NSU staff member

This theatre may seem elaborate to some students, but as Rusty Broussard said, "NSU deserves the best."

Security is a prime concern for such a room on campus, but all worries should be put to rest.

"Everything will be bolted to the walls," Broussard said, "and two student workers will be on duty at the adult theatre."

"I think it could help out some students," Miranda Coon, a junior in journalism, said. "They (the SGA) might try to be a little conservative with the budget, but it might be a good place to relax."

"Honestly, it is a good thing, though, the money could be put to better use," Aaron Ravare, an NSU staff member, said.

A better use offered by Ravare was "a memorial for students, such as Kesha Phills, or an emergency fund for students like Ross Kaplan."

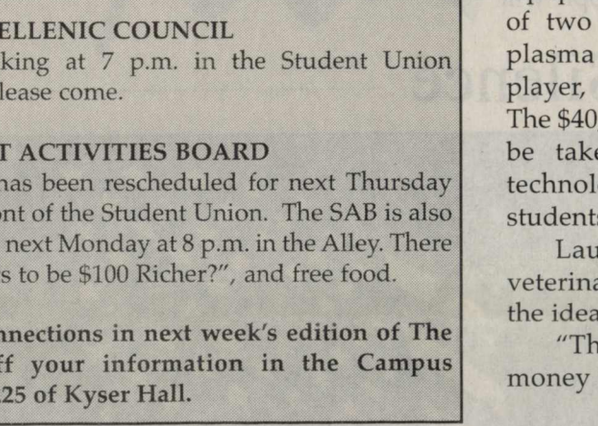
Carmen Carter, a junior computer information systems major, said there are no places for non-traditional students to gather on campus.

"I think this will benefit them greatly," Carter said, "if there was a place in the Student Union for them they would probably feel more welcomed."

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Clean up continues around New York and Washington, D.C.

At the ruins of the World Trade Center, 5,422 people remained missing, with 218 confirmed dead. Police Commissioner Bernard Kerik said the roster of presumed dead rose as foreign embassies received and relayed reports from citizens of their countries.

U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan said the victims include citizens of 62 nations.

"This is why no one can remain indifferent," he said.

A week after the tragedy, Mayor Rudolph Giuliani reluctantly moved toward some extraordinarily solemn conclusions.

"The chances of recovering any live human beings are very, very small now, given the amount of time and the condition of the site," he said.

War talks spread around Washington, D.C.

Back in Washington, the administration escalated its war of words against bin Laden and those who harbor him and other terrorists.

A renegade Saudi millionaire, bin Laden has been under the protection of the Taliban since 1996, when he was forced to leave Sudan. He is believed responsible for numerous terrorist strikes around the world, including last week's suicide assaults.

"The Taliban needs tribal approval to turn over bin Laden and there are real indications that they are preparing to do that," the spokesman said.

In Afghanistan and Pakistan, additional hints emerged of a possible shift in the Taliban's position.

Previously firm in their refusal to turn over bin Laden, Taliban leaders - including supreme leader Mullah Mohammed Omar - are now showing "flexibility," according to a report in a Pakistani paper.

American officials emphasized that even bin Laden's capture - as welcome as it might be - would not necessarily block vigorous military action to eliminate other terrorists and their support systems.

"Our adversaries are not one or two terrorist leaders, or even a single terrorist organization or network," Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld said during a Pentagon news conference. "It's a broad network of individuals and organizations that are determined to terrorize, and in doing so, to deny us the very essence of what we are - free people."

Terrorist groups do not have conventional militaries or "high-value" targets that the United States can hit, he said.

SGA appoints Erath Argus editor; flight team receives funding

By Bess Renfrow
Sauce Reporter

The SGA meeting Monday, centered around two main issues: the decision of the editor for the Argus and funding for the NSU flight team.

Rocky Colavito, the head of the Language Arts Department, and Julie Kane, a professor of English at Northwestern, stood and spoke their approval for Shane Erath as *Argus* editor. The floor was then opened for questions from the senators. Most questions centered on whether or not Erath could assure the SGA that the next addition of *Argus* would be an improvement over those in the past. The appointment of Erath as the editor of *Argus* passed.

The next decision to be made was if SGA would provide the University flight team with funds for their regional competition. The flight team was requesting a little over $5,000 from the clubs and organizations fund. After it was ascertained that the clubs and organizations fund now had in it around $58,000, the floor was open to questions from the senators.

The SGA was split in their opinion because part of the money the flight team was asking for was for hotel accommodations. The flight team was sleeping two people to one room instead of four people to a room.

Some of the senators had a problem with this. However, the spokesperson for the flight team pointed out that the rooms were only equipped with two single beds, and the hotel did not like to put more than two people in one room.

The next discussion was if the flight team had done any fundraising for the competition. The flight team spokesperson brought up that they had sponsors who had paid for their t-shirts, but had not done any fundraising for the competition.

The senators disputed about the fundraising until Skeeter Henry, the Student Government Association advisor, spoke up. Henry said that the money was there for things such as this, but the flight team should show faith in the SGA by doing some fundraising of their own.

This decision passed after a continued debate over fundraising versus just asking the SGA for money.

Minutes September 17, 2001

I. Call to Order- 7:03 p.m.

The prayer was lead by Justin Owen. The pledge was lead by Dustin Floyd.

Roll Call
Present
Leanna Anderson
Rusty Broussard
Buster Carlisle
Greg Comeaux
Stacie Cosby
Jessica Cramer
"Wild" Bill Eilers
Dustin Floyd
Jennifer Fox
Sarah Griffith
Jeremy Henriques
Liz Hughes
Jennifer Jensen
Sharmyn Little
Jeremy Malmay
Scott Manguno
Dustin Matthews
Justin Owen
Adam Pennell
Zack Pulliam
Shelly Smith
Cade Strong
Frank Toro
Timmy Watts
Torrey Washington
Travis Williams
Absent
Tara Newman (excused)

II. Executive Reports

Treasurer- Frank Toro
The time clock did not pass in committee please come see Frank if you have any questions. Homecoming crown has been ordered. Flight team is here to ask for money from club sports.

Vice President -Dustin Matthews
Dustin is working on Presentation Station and Breakfast with the President. Everyone is doing a good job on office hours and committees.

President - Rusty Broussard
Rusty welcomed all guest to the meeting. He wants to know who is going to CUSBAS on the 8th and 9th. Please promote elections. Once again do not wear any letters or organizational shirts beside SGA for elections. Bo and Chandra will be sworn in tonight for new senators. Great job on office hours. Meeting with ARAMARK tomorrow at 2:00.

III. Departmental Reports

Academic Affairs- Jessica Cramer
Working on having Susan Hussy teach a ballroom dancing class or maybe have someone teach a Yoga class. Meeting with Dr. Burns this week on teacher evaluations. Lecture Series is coming along well. Scantron Giveaway went very well. It will be 8-12 next Monday.
External Affairs- Greg Comeaux
Zack will run his meeting this week due to a conflicting meeting. Radio Show will be from 9-12 tomorrow.
Fiscal Affairs- Frank Toro
Please approve Zack to committee. Justin-Fee Review: Meeting Wed. at 2:00 wants Pros and Cons of raising fees. Greg- Org. Grants: Please approve the 6 people to committee. Scott- Club Sports: Ben Andrews is here to speak on behalf of the flight team. They would like money to go to Regional.
Internal Affairs- Dustin Floyd
Met today at 4:00. Shelley Smith and Lawrence Anglin resigned. Jessica Cormier, Lindsey Statham and Emily Russo were removed.
Student Affairs- Buster Carlisle
There will be a Current Events Forum Next Tuesday from 7:00-8:00 in the studio. Dr. Snowden, Aichinger, Granger, and Foster will be the speakers.
SAB Report- Will Hooper
Fall Fest was postponed until later date.
Advisor's Report- Mr. Henry
We need to look at some ideas for elections so we do not have problems again. We need lots of help Wednesday and Thursday for elections. Please sign up.
Supreme Court Report- Jeremiah Newsom
Jeremiah was not present.

IV. Old Business

Dustin Floyd moved to swear in new Senators Chandra Clark and Beau Boudreaux III.
Motion passes by general consent.
Senators take the oath of office.

V. New Business

There is discussion from the Media Board concerning the *Argus* editor.
Sarah Griffith enters the meeting.
Greg Comeaux moved to approve Shane Erath as *Argus* editor.
Wild Bill Eilers seconds.
Roll Call Vote 19-0-3 Motion Passes.

Dustin Floyd moved to approve Zack Pulliam to Fiscal Affairs Committee.
Motion seconded.
Motion passes by general consent.

Liz Hughes enters the meeting.

Justin Owen moved to open the floor for discussion of the flight team.
Greg Comeaux seconds.
Discussion.
Greg Comeaux moved to give $5,125 to the flight team for regionals.
Jennifer Jensen seconds.
Discussion.
Roll Call Vote 19-3-1 Motion Passes

Dustin Floyd moved to approve Sarah Griffith, Jeremy Henriques, Jennifer Fox, Stacey Cosby, Jennifer Jenson, Jessica Cramer.
Motion seconded.
Passes by general consent.

There is discussion on who will sit on the Committee of Organizations. Liz Hughes will sit on it. The other position will be voted on.
Dustin Floyd moved to approve Liz Hughes and Buster Carlisle to the Committee of Organizations.
Motion seconded.
Motion passes by General Consent.

Wild Bill Eilers moved to approve Resolution FA-01-003
Jeremy Henriques seconds.
Motion Passes by General Consent.

VI. Announcements

Elections are Wednesday and Thursday please sign up for as many times as possible.

Blood Drive will be held on Sept. 27th in front of the ROTC building. Please donate blood if you can.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

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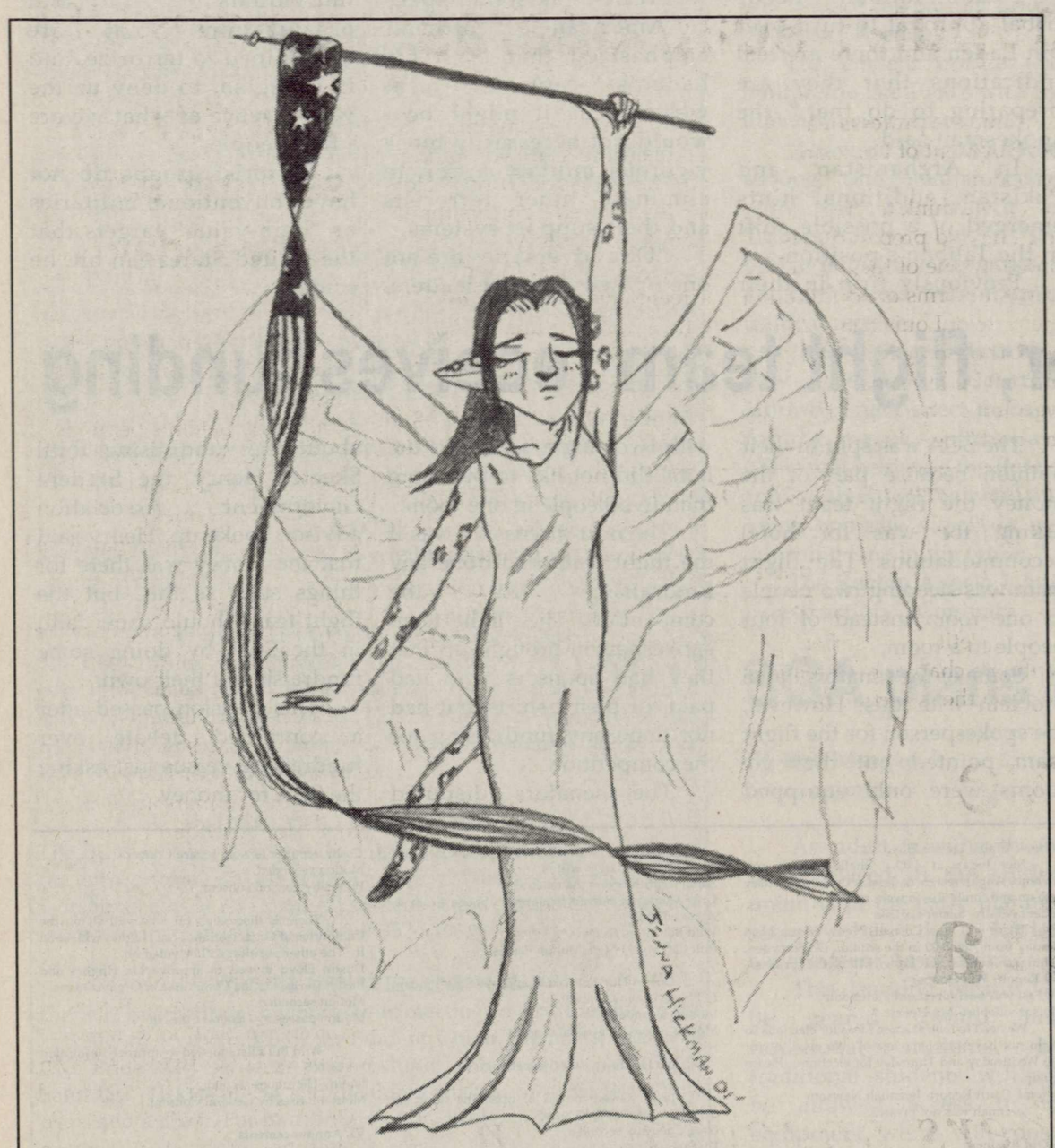
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The cast of "kiddies" and its creator Jenna Hickman would like to take the opportunity to say that our prayers are with the victims of this national tragedy, to thank those who have sacrificed, to help all those affected by these horrific acts, and to salute those who are not only willing but prepared to fight and defend our country. We are proud to live in this great nation of such pride and freedom. God bless America!

-Jenna Hickman
Creator of "Kiddies"



Editor's Take

Editor wonders why so much attention is paid to "stupid people"



Rondray Hill
Editor's Take

Tuesday, I went to visit some friends of mine.

The friends I went to visit were the students of the journalism class at Natchitoches Central High School.

We spent nearly an hour talking about newspapers, journalism, and things going on around our world.

And I'm not exaggerating when I say that those 20 or so high school students to were the most intelligent people I ran into all day.

I thought about that while I listened to some of my classmates argue about trivial things like Homecoming pictures.

I thought about that while listening to people talk about "rounding up all the Muslims" and throwing away the key.

I also thought about that when seeing people try to justify the deaths of nearly 6,000 innocent people because of "U.S. Foreign policy."

Why do we pay so much attention to the stupids?

Why do the stupids command so much of our time.

When I turn on the TV and see someone who is clearly an idiot , sometimes I get a laugh. I mean, who wouldn't be glad they aren't as stupid as some people.

But sometimes I just wish there was a way to make the stupid people go away.

Then I remembered that there is a way.

Do you remember in how you treated the stupid person in high school? And I don't mean the shy girl, or the kid who didn't have much money to buy nice clothes. I don't mean them.

I'm talking about the stupid kid.

You know, the one who ate paste, or the one who wore their underwear outside their clothes, just to see what people would say.

The one who always thought he/she was funny, even though no one else was laughing.

I'm sure my friends at Natchitoches Central already know the answer to this one, so here it is. *You ignore them.*

Don't pay any attention to them.

If someone says "Muslims are evil," just be quiet.

If someone thinks its a good idea to restrict someone's freedom, just walk away.

We have a war on terrorism, I say it's high time we had a war on stupidity.

You don't need to have a high school diploma to realize that.

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Unnecessary airport restrictions cause wasted time and effort

By Robert Poole
Courtesy KRT forum

Commercial airlines have resumed flying with three pages of new federal security requirements. A whole raft of new provisions -- no cars within 300 feet of terminals, no curbside or hotel baggage check-in, limits on electronic tickets, detailed searches of planes before every flight -- will do little or nothing to make air travel safer. Ironically, these well-intended "feel-good" measures may inadvertently achieve one of the terrorists' goals by crippling our aviation industry.

Thus, our first priority must be making airplanes defensible. That means armed sky marshals on as many flights as possible, adding more-secure cockpit doors, and selectively arming crew members.

It's on the ground where the danger of costly, but ineffective regulations is greatest. Before piling on new mandates, the present airport security system needs to be rethought. Both the General Accounting Office and the Department of Transportation inspector general have issued scathing reports on airport security.

One FAA official said that Boston and Newark "leak like a sieve." In 1999 federal agents were able to sneak through security doors 46 times at four major airports and walk around on the tarmac or board planes unchallenged.

But as these reports make clear, the biggest holes in the system are behind the scenes, not in the flow of passengers through metal detectors at screening points. Airport security should become the sole responsibility of the airport operator, not fragmented among the airport, the major airlines and numerous contractors.

Further harassing passengers with bans on curbside check-in and making them stand in endless lines despite using e-tickets has made the delays at airports much worse. Yet these measures would not have stopped the terrorists. Better technology for screening all bags and detecting even ceramic knives under people's clothes, as well as high-tech systems for positive passenger identification, would be far more useful than inane security questions and more requirements to wait in long lines.

Sensible changes like defensible airplanes and smarter airport security will modestly raise the cost of flying, but probably by no more than a few dollars per passenger per flight. But measures of the kind proposed and instituted since this tragedy could cripple the airlines by cutting into both leisure and business travel markets.

Even worse will be the impact on what the industry calls leisure travelers -- ordinary people flying to visit relatives or take vacations. The requirement that each plane receive a thorough security inspection before each flight will destroy the ability of low-fare airlines like Southwest to turn around a flight in 20 minutes. That means a 737 that now makes 10 flights per day will be able to make only seven.

Letter to the Editor: Fear of Riots

Dear Beloved Editor,

I know you must be swamped with letters regarding this most unfortunate turn of events in the United States. Unfortunately, many people are afraid of future terrorism... I have a different viewpoint.

The thing that scares me is the possibility of riots. You and I both know that innocent people (namely innocent Muslims) are going to be blamed, persecuted, and perhaps even beaten or worse. I wish to encourage all people to not try to take "Justice" into their own hands.

There are Muslims on campus, I realize. Please do not ridicule them... these people are innocents, stereotyped because of this unfortunate occurrence. I fear for their safety as much as mine... but they will be under much more ridicule than I ever will.

Sincerely,

Jamie Green
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NSU English professor wrote for popular soap operas

by Dominique Irvin
Sauce Reporter

When Tom Petitjean, assistant professor of English at NSU, spoke to a stranger at a New York City bar in 1983, he didn't know it would change his life.

Petitjean had a drink with the man, and learned he worked for the popular soap opera, "As the World Turns." That day, Petitjean, a free-lance writer from Rayne, La., walked away with his dream job.

"He helped me get into the whole thing and that's how it happened," he said.

After working for "As the World Turns," Petitjean went on to write for another soap opera "Another World." He also wrote romance novels, working under the pseudonym Leila Bercier, his great-grandmother's name.

In 1990, Petitjean left New York and returned home to be with family in Rayne. While home, he earned his Master's Degree and doctorate at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette.

He also taught high school and some college classes at ULL and LSU. In the summers, he traveled Europe and attended NSU to get certification in administration and supervision.

During his last summer of course work, a position became open in the Language and Communications Department. Petitjean joined the department as a temporary instructor in 2000, and is now an assistant professor.

In addition to teaching, Petitjean serves on the Professional Development Leadership Advisory Committee for the Louisiana State Department of Education. The committee's main goals are to prepare and obtain quality teachers for Louisiana public schools, and to develop a system to continue the professional development of Louisiana educators.

"I think teacher training and preparation is probably one of the weakest things in terms of education in the state of Louisiana and to be part of something that can make it better is just a wonderful chance for me to do my part," he said.

"I enjoy everything that I do, but I really love teaching."
- Tom Petitjean

Petitjean is currently writing a chapter for a feminist book on the depiction of women in 1970s daytime dramas and is still consulting on "As the World Turns." He is also an Area Coordinator at Rapides dormitory.

He wants to write screenplays and travel to Africa in the future, but for now, he is satisfied with life.

"I enjoy everything that I do, but I really love teaching," he said. " I really love working in the dorm, and I really love working with people. You have to enjoy what you do or else it's not going to be fun. If it's not fun for you, why bother to do it?"

In Perspective

Students fear military draft

Faculty members speculate on possibility of drafting students



File Photo

A student holds a flag at the prayer vigil held last week in the NSU ballroom. Students gathered there to show their concern and support for the victims of last week's tragedy.

Draft Facts:

* While men must register within 30 days of turning 18, the draft has been dormant since 1973.

* During the attack, a record 6,381 men registered via the Internet for the selective service, twice the daily average.

* About 5,000 boys turn 18 every day. Their liability for selective service continues through age 25; there are 14 million men who fit into that category.

* If the draft were reinstated this year, normal procedure would begin the induction process with men who are 20 or were born in 1981.

Access www.usatoday.com for more information.

by Elona Boggs
Life Editor

When Tim Monaghan thinks of the threat of war, one of the things he thinks about is the possibility of the draft.

"I think every man has some sort of small fear of being drafted," he said. "Unlike our fathers and grandfathers, we weren't raised to be patriotic. We haven't paid that price yet."

Paula Furr, associate professor of journalism at NSU and a retired Army Lt. Col. who served for 23 years, said people don't fully realize their duty as Americans.

"For most of us, we love our freedom and our country," Furr said. "When we hear about sacrifice or people who lose their lives and give their lives for someone else or their country, we admire that and honor that. But, we really don't want that sacrifice to be of ourselves or someone we love."

Furr thinks the draft is an unlikely possibility. She said the war would have to be prolonged for the draft to happen.

"I would only see a draft if this went to a full scale war, I am not talking about Desert Storm, I am talking larger than that - when we don't think our active forces, Guard and Reserves are sufficient," Furr said. "It takes time to get people in, to train them. You wouldn't do that if you thought it was going to be over soon. You'd do that if you thought something was going to be for a matter of years."

Greg Granger, associate professor of political science, agreed.

"We have the resources, and I expect the National Guard and the Reservists to be called up, but I don't expect a draft," Granger said.

In 1969, Granger's older brother joined the military after receiving word that he was going to be drafted. When Granger was in high school, there was talk of re-instating the draft.

"I was a senior in high school and that's when we had the hostages in Iran," he said. "I was concerned about being drafted, but the draft never had to happen."

Furr is hoping the draft will be evaded again.

"Part of the chaos of war is that we do not know how conflict is going to resolve itself."
- Paula Furr

"Part of the chaos of war is that we do not know how conflict is going to resolve itself," she said.

She hopes war will not be necessary.

"There is nothing to be gained by war," Furr said. "If we go in with a lot of destruction, it will only fuel more American hatred and no one benefits from that."

Interest in Nostradamus resurrected after attack

by Barbara Rose
Chicago Tribune

The Internet's vaunted "viral" ability to spread information rapidly helped to fuel interest last week in the writings of a 16th century figure whose writings some consider prophetic, Michel de Nostredame, known as Nostradamus.

"Nostradamus" ranked high on a list of the keywords typed into search engines when people flocked online for news after the terrorist attacks, according to ComScore Networks, a Chicago-based firm that monitors Internet behavior.

It's hardly surprising that surfers searched on such words as "CNN," "World Trade Center" and "news"-the top three search terms during the three hours after the attack, according to ComScore. "Pentagon" ranked fourth.

But Nostradamus?

His name ranked eighth, right after Osama bin Laden, the terrorist leader whose followers are suspected of orchestrating the attack.

"Nostradamus had appeared as a search term previously, but there were 50 times the number of entries for his name" in search engines after the attack compared with the same period a week earlier, says ComScore CEO Gian Fulgoni.

E-mail added heat to the Nostradamus frenzy. Various versions of a cryptic and apocalyptic verse were circulating widely last week, purporting to be from Nostradamus' writings, which were originally in French.

When the e-mails started popping up in the inbox of Eric Estabrooks, a Chicago database programmer, he used Google.com to search on "Nostradamus" only to find that most of the top sites were inaccessible, apparently because too many people were trying to get on them.

A persistent Estabrooks confirmed that the e-mailed verse he received was identical to a verse composed and posted on the Web in a discussion about reason versus superstition. The writer's intent was to debunk Nostradamus' prophetic powers.

"Everyone, please, use a bit of common sense before you forward false e-mails," Estabrooks chided in his own e-mail reply to senders.

His conclusion?

"People are looking for some kind of comfort and external validation in anything suggesting that the attack was part of some plan" over which they have no control, Estabrooks said.

ComScore's Fulgoni, meanwhile, said people turned to the Internet after the crash to amplify reports they were getting from other media. Nearly half of the top 30 search keywords were variations on the names of news outlets, mainly broadcast.

"If you're watching TV and somebody mentions bin Laden and you wanted to find out more," Fulgoni said, "what better way?"

CNN.com's site was by far the most popular news site, with 11.6 million unique visitors worldwide during the day of the attack, 680 percent more than a week earlier. The second most visited site was MSNBC.com, with 9.5 million visitors, a 236 percent increase.

Campus Life

Spin City seminar set for Monday

The Department of Journalism at Northwestern State University will host two University Satellite Seminars sponsored by the Museum of Television and Radio during the fall 2001 semester.

The first seminar, *Spin City* will be held Monday, at 6:30 p.m. "Open Mics: The Art of Radio Documentary" is set for Tuesday, Oct. 23 at 5 p.m. Both will be held in the Ora Garland Williams Electronic Media Center located in Kyser Hall, Room 142. The seminars are free and open to the public

Spin City will discuss the ABC comedy that looks at the absurdities of city politics and sexual politics. The show is one of television's most successful sitcoms, despite undergoing extraordinary upheaval over five seasons on the air. Heather Locklear and Charlie Sheen will discuss the evolution of the show and the process of crafting and producing the series.

Major Barbara cast chosen

The NSU Theatre will present George Bernard Shaw's *Major Barbara* Sept. 27 - Oct. 5 in Theatre West. Coordinator of Theatre Dr. Jack Wann will direct.

Members of the cast are Joshuah Laird of Oakdale as Stephen Undershaft, Colin Trahan of Folsom as Adolphus Cusins, Camille Sotomayor of Copperas Cove, Texas as Barbara Undershaft and James Palmer of Mansfield as Andrew Undershaft.

Other cast members are Kristen Jones of Vero Beach, Fla. as Lady Britomart, Karen Burns of Alexandria as Jenny Hill, Jacob Smith of Monroe as Snobby Price, Michael Batusic of Hobe Sound, Fla. as Charles Lomax, Tony Blanco of New Iberia as Bill Walker and Valerie Perdue of Natchitoches as Sarah Undershaft.

The cast also includes Eric Guy Miller of Pineville as Peter Shirley, Larry Soileau of Lake Charles as Morrison, Kyle LeMaire of Abbeville as Bilton, Darcy Malone of New Orleans as Rummy Michens and Taryn Vinet of Harahan as Mrs. Baines.

Caroline Bolter of Baton Rouge is the assistant to the director while Natalie Ross of Baton Rouge is the stage manager. Jessica Marasco of New Orleans is the assistant stage manager.

Major Barbara is Barbara Undershaft, the daughter of a wealthy munitions magnate, who embraces religion as a means of salvation. Her father, Andrew Undershaft, is a social philosopher who believes that the worst of crimes is poverty. Father and daughter clash in this witty, thought-provoking tale of political economy.

For ticket information, call (318) 357-6891.

Frankenstein to come to NSU

by Britton Faucon
Sauce Reporter

Frankenstein visits the university's campus on October 31, when the NSU Theatre Department performs the classic gothic drama, *The Tragedy of Frankenstein*.

The play's director, Scott Burrell said the performance will include "dark images that arouse a sense of disturbance and intrigue."

The play follows the story line originally produced by Mary Shelley in the 1800s, but is updated with modern theatrical techniques.

Burrell said the performance is timely, and will relate to the increasing interest and moral implications in scientific procedures like cloning and stem-cell research.

"The play shows moral implications as a scientist," Burrell said. "Are we accountable for making or destroying life?"

Bill Gilmore, the playwright of "Frankenstein," will be visiting NSU's campus from Sept. 29 through Oct. 14.

Gilmore will teach a workshop entitled "Teaching and Acting for the Camera," and will assist with the play.

"It helps him because he sees us doing his play and it helps us because as we are performing the play, the playwright is on campus," Burrell said.

Performances for *Frankenstein* will start on Oct. 31, and will run until Nov. 4. All shows will be held in the A.A. Fredricks Auditorium and will begin at 7 p.m. nightly. NSU students will have free admission.

A call for peace



File photo

Students holding hands and singing at a memorial service held in the Student Union Ballroom Friday night.

SAB postpones Fall Fest, concert is rescheduled

by Kira Gervais
Sauce Reporter

Fall Fest, a new activity sponsored by the SAB, was postponed due to the terrorist attacks on Sept. 11.

SAB Concert Chairman Terrica Wallace said Fall Fest will take place, but the SAB is unsure of the rescheduled date.

"I am not going to say because we still have to vote," Wallace said.

This year, the SAB decided to make two concerts, instead of its annual concert in the spring. Wallace said the decision was made because of lack of concert attendance.

"The whole purpose of splitting the concerts is to have better attendance from the NSU student body, and hopefully, they will enjoy the fall concert and come to the spring concert," said Wallace.

The feature band for the fall concert is "Static." Wallace said the band has a combination of rock, pop, country and zydeco.

"I hope this is successful as far as attendance and participation," Wallace said.

In addition to the concert, Fall Fest will feature activities like candle art, water tag, food and contests.

Hollywood edits out violence in NYC skyline

by Steven Rea
Knight Ridder Newspapers

Hollywood moved swiftly last week to postpone films and TV programs whose content or marketing campaigns might cause further pain after Tuesday's terrorist attacks.

"Collateral Damage," starring Arnold Schwarzenegger as a big-city fireman bent on avenging the deaths of his family in an office tower bombing, was yanked from the Warner Bros. schedule. The studio pledged "an immediate and complete effort" to erase all signs of what was to have been the Oct. 5 action release, including billboards, trailers and a Web site."

"Big Trouble," a Disney farce in which a suitcase containing a bomb makes its way on board an airplane, and Edward Burns' romantic comedy "Sidewalks of New York" - whose misfortune was simply its name and locale - were both set to open on Friday and are now on hold.

The episode intended as the premiere of CBS's "The Agency," about the CIA, may never run. It revolved around a terrorist bombing in London and mentioned Osama bin Laden. "We're not airing that episode first, if at all," said a CBS spokesman. The series is tentatively scheduled to debut on Sept. 27.

With those imminent releases accounted for, entertainment executives now find themselves rethinking longer-range projects - and some are reassessing the industry's reliance on bombs-blazing action pics and programs altogether.

"I just can't imagine that anyone who was near the World Trade Center on Tuesday is going to want to go into a movie theater and watch a building being destroyed," Spokesman said. "And by extension, all of us in front of our TV sets were near that building."

For those who had been developing projects involving terrorism, last week's devastating real-life images of jets gorging skyscrapers and Manhattanites fleeing for their lives means "you officially have no career right now," said Jon Cohen, screenwriter of "Minority Report," a 2002 futuristic cop thriller with Tom Cruise and being directed by Steven Spielberg.

"I don't espouse censorship," said Cohen. But "if this terrible moment puts a chill on giving audiences the violent rush of fireballs and crashes, fine by me."

A trailer for next summer's "Spider-Man," showing the superhero trapping a helicopter in a web spun between the World Trade Center towers, was withdrawn from theaters. The studio says the scene was never intended for the unknown.



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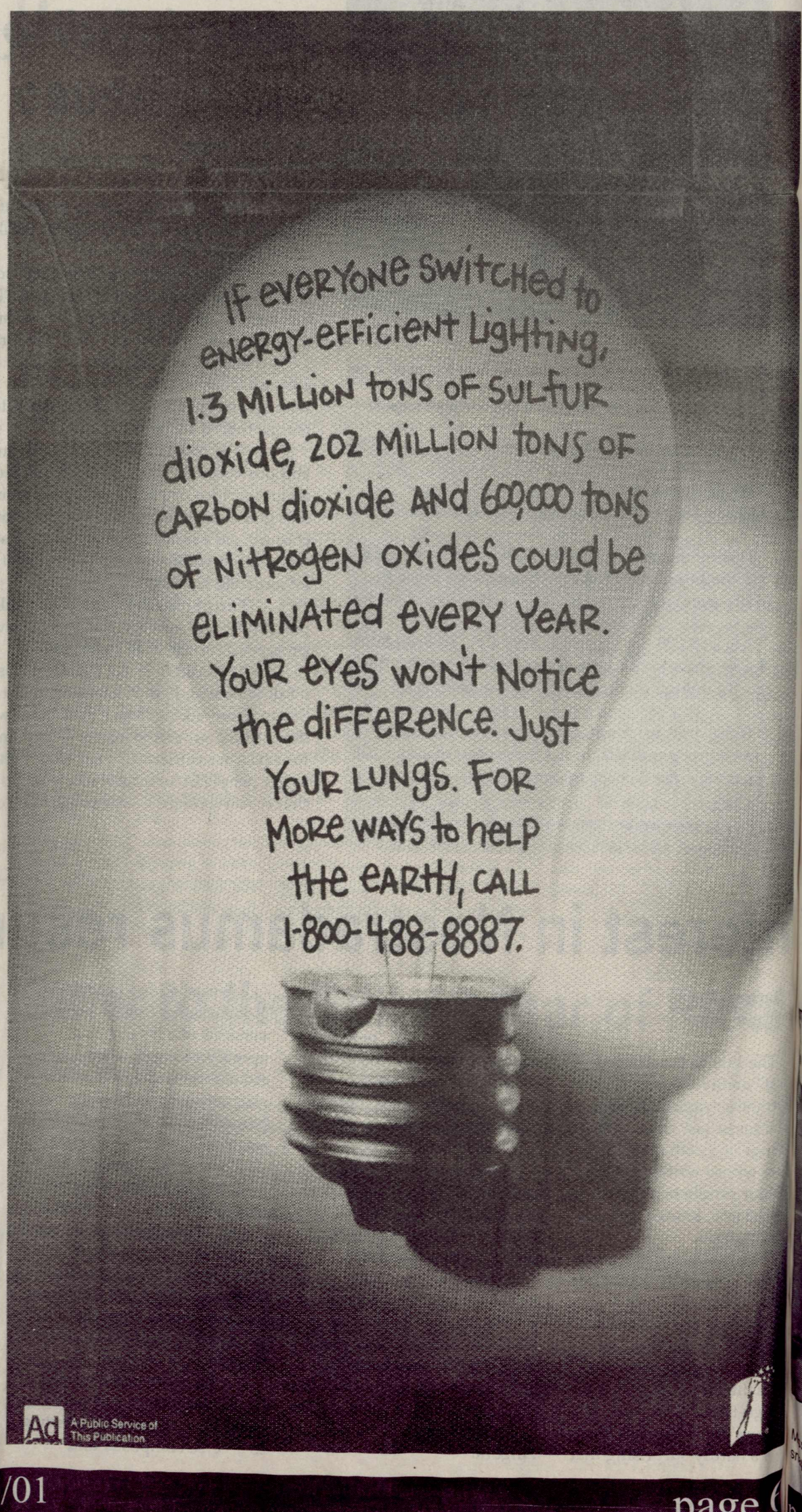
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Football team's main focus, TCU

By Rondray Hill
Editor

After a week off of play due to the attacks in New York, the Demon football team has its focus set in Ft. Worth, Texas.

The Demons will face the TCU Horned Frogs Saturday, the first meeting ever between the two teams.

"TCU is a much, much better football team at this stage of the year than Central Florida was last year," said head coach Steve Roberts. "But when we hit the field Saturday evening, our goal is to win the football game and if we don't we will be disappointed."

The Demons crept back into the Division I-AA Top 25 after their win against Henderson State. That win coupled with another against in-state rival Southern was good enough to earn them a No. 24 ranking in the latest poll.

TCU led the nation in total defense last year and have are giving up 50 yards less this season.

Roberts said his team will have to play "near perfect" in order to pull off the upset.

"We have to be super sharp, near perfect, to have a chance to win this week," Roberts said. " TCU has an awesome defense, tremendous special teams and an explosive offense."

Saturday's game kicks off a stretch of four consecutive road games, including the just arranged matchup between the Demons and Oklahoma State next saturday.

The Demons will not return to home action until the Oct. 20 homecoming game against Nicholls State

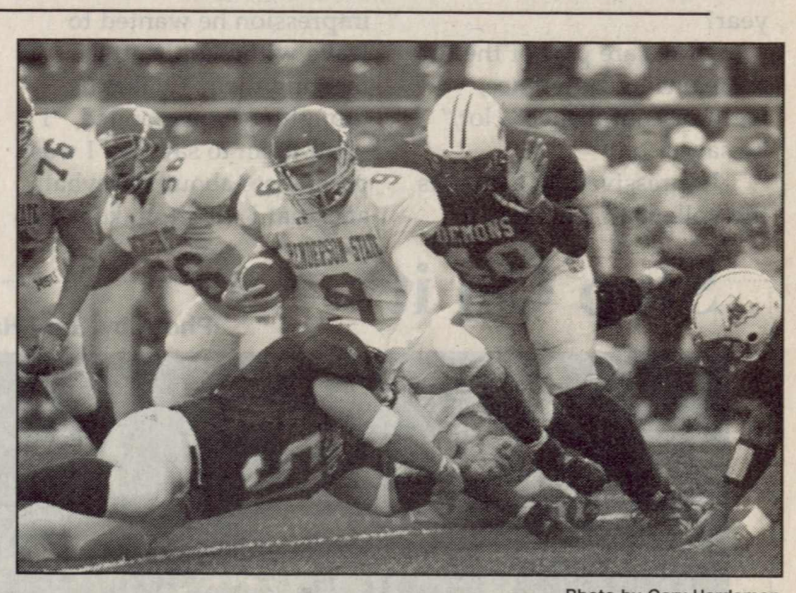


Photo by Gary Hardamon

The Demon defense will try to replicate its 28-point outburst against Henderson State this Saturday at TCU

You know J.O.?

Volleyball coach takes the long road to NSU

At one point, Demon volleyball coach James Onikeku never thought he'd be a coach

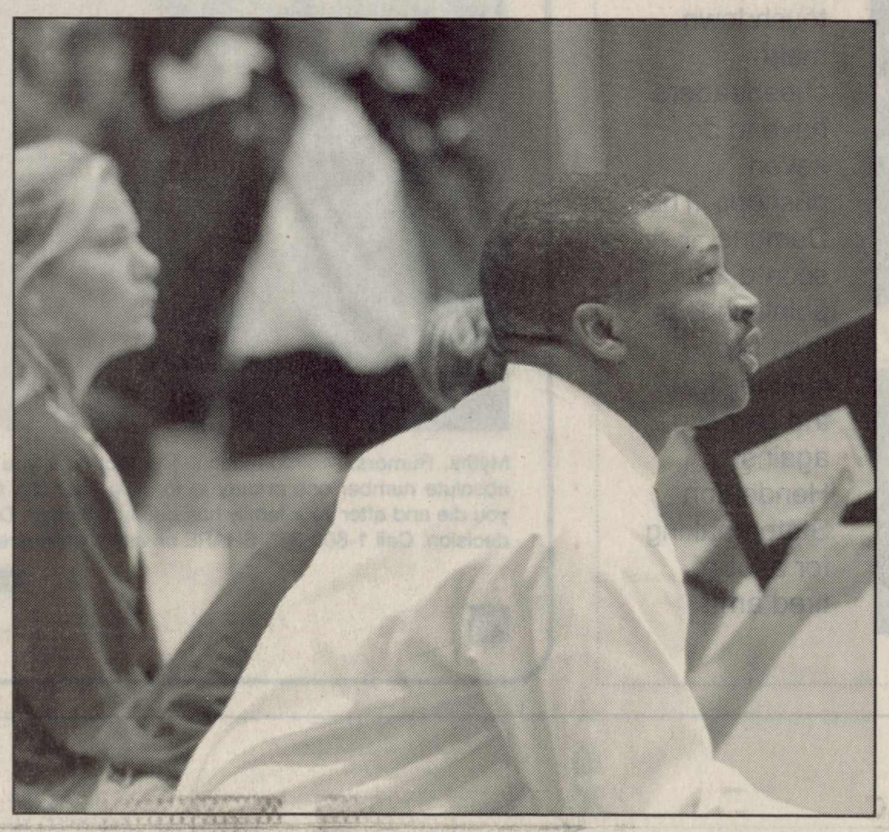


Photo by Gary Hardamon

Demon Volleyball head coach James Onikeku has spent the last three years trying to build the NSU Volleyball team into a success

by Mindy Mixon
Sauce Reporter

Coach "J.O.", the dynamic, energetic addition to the Northwestern volleyball program initially had no desire to coach sports.

After earning his master's degree in education, James Onikeku, fully intended to become a business man.

Until a trip changed his mind.

In 1988, Onikeku traveled to Antigua, West Indies and Dominica, playing nationally ranked soccer and volleyball teams.

"The trip was amazing," J.O. said. "At the time, I was just coaching for fun. Then a friend suggested that I consider coaching full-time and I realized that was what I wanted to do."

And twelve years later, Onikeku continues to enjoy his job.

"I love what I do," J.O. said. "I influence young people and help develop raw talent. When players that have graduated call me years later to talk, it makes me feel really good."

However, playing collegiate ball for a fierce competitor like Onikeku is not easy.

"He's a tough coach and he expects a lot," Junior Christina Stone said. "He's made me a more disciplined player - his love for the game is contagious."

An avid sports fanatic, Onikeku has another passion in life.

"I've been brought up in a good, Christian environment and I know what is right and what's wrong," Onikeku said.

The oldest son of missionaries who moved from Nigeria to America in 1985, declares that religion plays a vital role in his life.

Although his family has now moved back to Nigeria and J.O. only sees them once every four years, he calls every Sunday.

"Family is the most important thing in life - if I don't hear from my family, I get worried," J.O. said. "Family is always there."

In the two short seasons that

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Photo by Gary Hardamon

Christina Stone, one of J.O.'s players, says "he's a tough coach and he expects a lot.

Volleyball team wins conference opener 3-2

Sophomore Aime Garcia had a match-high 17 kills while newcomer Kristen Franke led all players with a .458 hitting percentage Tuesday night as visiting Northwestern State outlasted Louisiana-Monroe 3-2 in a Southland Conference volleyball match.

Franke, a junior college transfer, had 12 kills and 18 digs as the Demons (3-5 overall, 1-0 in SLC play) prevailed 30-22, 26-30, 20-30, 30-23, 15-8 to drop the Lady Indians (0-7, 0-1).

Junior Christina Stone had 14 kills and added 13 digs and 3 aces. Sophomore setter Cathy Herring led NSU with 50 assists and shared the match-high with Franke and teammate Jaime Moore, a sophomore transfer, by recording 18 digs.

Britanee Ripoll led the Lady Indians with 16 kills while teammate Julie Tarnawa led her team with 16 digs. The Demons hit .344 the last two games to rally while ULM hit only .045 in the same time frame to swing the match to Northwestern.

The Demons stay on the road for SLC this weekend, visiting Nicholls on Friday and Southeastern on Saturday.

Cross Country team runs preliminary at SFA

Returning All-Southland Conference star Noah Murgor and Lady Demon sophomore Lacey Fletcher were the top finishers for Northwestern State Monday night at the Pre-Conference Invitational cross country meet at Stephen F. Austin.

Running over the same course that will host the SLC Championships Oct. 29, Fletcher was 10th in the 2.2-mile women's race while Murgor ran eighth in the men's five-miler.

SFA won the women's division with 44 points while Nicholls had 46 and Northwestern 79 as McNeese, the defending conference champion, failed to finish five runners and did not score.

In the men's race, McNeese won with 32 points, outdistancing SFA (62), Texas-San Antonio (81), Nicholls (90) and Northwestern (95).

Murgor ran a 27:54 clocking for eighth, just ahead of teammate Jonah Chelimo (11th, 28:13). NSU's Jorge Bustamante was 14th in 29:41 with Blake Hines next for the Demons in 23rd at 30:56. Freshman James Hawkins was the last scorer for the Demons, 24th in 31:16.

In the women's race for the Lady Demons, Fletcher ran 10th for NSU in 20:57 with Jill Schenk next at 21:04, followed by Carrie Norton (16th, 21:36), Christy Stark (18th, 21:44) and Marci Ward (23rd, 23:26) to cap the scoring for Northwestern.

Both NSU teams run again Saturday morning at the Louisiana-Lafayette Invitational.



Photo by Gary Hardamon

Missy Payne and the Demons had their 13-game home win streak stopped last night by the ULM Lady Indians in double OT

Late goal stuns Soccer team 3-2 in OT

By Rondray Hill
Editor

With darkness all but covering the Demon soccer complex Wednesday night, ULM's Erin Sherry snuck in the game-winning goal with six seconds left in double-overtime, stunning the Demons 3-2.

The heartbreaking loss was the first on the Demons homefield in 13 games, dropping them to 1-2 overall.

"We tried to rush it. We should have just slowed it down and settled for the tie," said head coach Jimmy Mitchell. "It's one of those things. The exact opposite could have happened, and then we'd be celebrating."

The goal came after Sherry drove to the net after the Lady Indians took the rebound from a lose ball. Sherry drilled the shot right past goalkeeper Tiffany Swingler, who racked up 17 saves in the game.

A mob of Sherry's ULM teammates rushed onto the field after seeing the ball go into the net.

The two teams each scored two goals in the first half, while clamping down on defense in the second half.

Bryndie Magg and Katherine Latiolais scored the two Demon goals while ULM's Cindy Barker scored on two unassisted goals.

ULM goaltender Jessica Robinson stopped eight of NSU's 23 shots on goal.

The Demons were playing their first conference game of the season as well as their home opener, which had been rained out two weeks before.

"This is just one of those character tests," Mitchell said. "We've got to see how we'll respond to this. It'll be tough to regroup, but but we'll have to."

The Demons are in the middle of a three-game homestand. Friday they face McNeese state at 5 p.m followed by Stephen F. Austin Sunday at 2 p.m.

J.O. Story

J.O. has presided as head coach, the Lady Demons have posted school records for Southland Conference wins every year.

Expectations for this year?

"If we are part of the top six teams in conference, we've accomplished a lot," he says.

Impressive talk, being as the volleyball team has ten new players, eight of them freshmen.

"We are young and inexperienced - this is a rebuilding stage," admits J.O.

When asked what impression he wanted to leave with people after meeting them, Onikeku thoughtfully responded, "I want them to say that I was passionate about volleyball and that I tried to take it into the limelight here at NSU. I hope they say I'm friendly and always smiling, too."

Apparently he's doing something right.

"He's a real people person," stated Stone.

"Everybody loves J.O. Not only is he your coach but your friend."

Step On it

Photo by Gary Hardamon



Members of the NSU cheerleaders make sure the guys get their pushups finished.

Every time the Demon football team scores a touchdown, male cheerleaders have to do seven pushups. The Demons scored 28 points in less than two minutes in the game against Henderson State, making for a lot of tired arms

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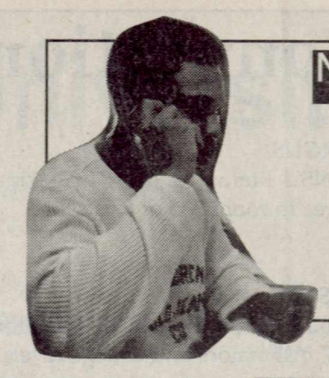
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Sauce Briefs

Registrars' Office leaves Roy Hall

Staff Reports

The registrar's office will be closed today through Monday for remodeling. They will be housed in East wing of Prather Coliseum.

Students may still drop classes, get artificial transcripts and enrollment verification,"Lillie Bell, registrar said. Official transcripts, however, will not be available.

The registrar's will be back in their offices Monday, but will be resetting up the computer systems and will not be open, said Bell.

If you have any questions please call 357-6171(dial 0 for assistance) or 1-800-426-3754.

Broussard appoints five new senators

Staff Reports

SGA President Rusty Broussard appointed five new senators to the SGA.

Zack Pulliam, Cade Strong, Jeremy Malmay, Torrey Washington, and Mindy McConnell were approved by general consent. Justin Owens was appointed Vice Chairman of the Election Board.

The SGA approved the proposal that $200 be put aside for the printing of twenty additional constitutions for SGA members.

SGA election results

Staff Reports

The freshman senators are: Samantha Foley, Linzie Ledford, and Natalie Prewitt. The sophomore senators are: Jennifer Fox, Elizabeth Hughes, and Laura Smith. The male homecoming court members are: Will Hooper, John Birch, Nathan Collier, Matt Courville, Christopher Davis, David Fredrick, Jared Hewitt, Michael Johnson, Dustin Matthews, and Quincy Spencer. With a total of 470 votes Will Hooper is NSU homecoming king. The female homecoming court members are: Molly Beach, Jennifer Gray Dauenhauer, Katie Dollar, Sarah Griffith, Jennifer Jackson, Michelle Meyer, Tara Newman, Jennifer Paul, Stacey Thompson, and Lindsey Wright. With a total of 409 votes, Molley Beach is NSU homecoming queen.

TC-Useless: Demons shock Frogs 27-24

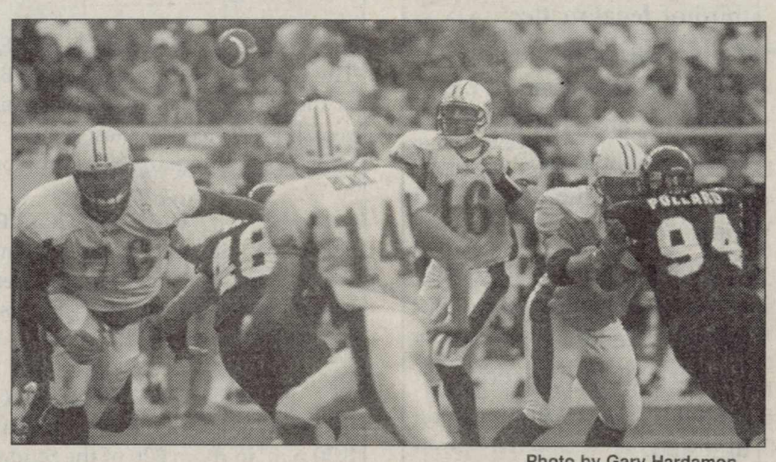


Photo by Gary Hardamon

Demon QB Craig Nall fires a pass to Nathan Black in the Demons' upset win over TCU

Rondray Hill
Editor

After the game ended, 30,000 TCU fans stood in thier seats.

Silent.

Stunned.

They couldn't believe what they had just seen.

They saw Ahmad Willis block a 32-yard field goal attempt in the second possession of overtime, sealing a 27-24 victory over thier Horned Frogs.

Moments before, they saw Clint Sanford hit a 19-yard FG attempt to put the Demons in the lead.

They also saw the Demons, a team with 23 fewer scholarship players than the home team, roll up 447 total yards against one of the best defenses in the nation.

"This is one of the biggest wins in school history," head coach Steve Roberts said.

"I can't tell you how proud I am of this team and my guys. I can single anyone out because this was a team effort."

The game was the first meeting between the two schools.

TCU, who had won their last two games, had thier 11-game home winning streak snapped in the loss

Story of Stool

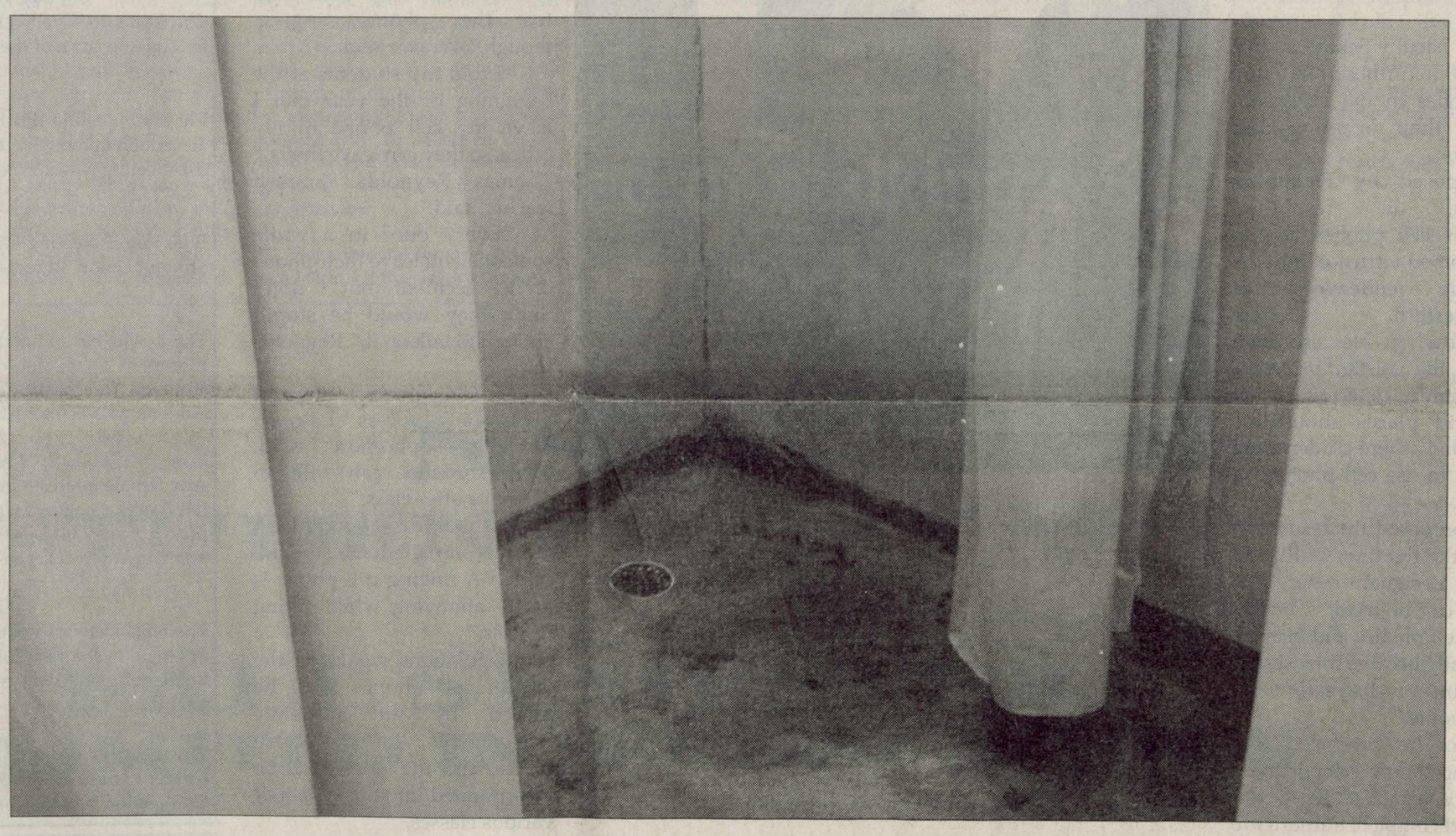


Photo by Garrett Guillotte

Residents at Rapides Hall were denied dorm visitation rights this week by University officials. Human feces has been found in the showers of Rapides Hall on several occasions.

Administrators quiet about removal of visitation rights

By Garrett Guillotte and Kristen Dauzat
Sauce Staff

Residents of the Rapides Hall dormitory have lost their visitation privileges after a wave of fecal attacks in the showers of Rapides Hall.

With dorm staff, housing administrators, and many of Rapides' residents unwilling to speak on the incidents, few people were willing to provide *The Current Sauce* with information. One *Sauce* reporter was told after identifying himself to Rapides front desk staff that he could not enter the dorm without student escort.

In response, anonymous sources close to the activity have stepped forward to help dispel any rumors concerning the activity.

The sources said the defecation in the showers, which has occurred at least six times this semester and has affected every wing on each floor, has happened repeatedly over the last several years. The sources also said the problem is likely the result of pranksters acting on a bet or dare and might potentially involve fraternity members.

"The janitors should be commended to put up with this stuff," one of the sources said. "This (the phantom pooper) is a nasty adult at 18. What will he be like when he's 30?"

Another anonymous source said the fecal pranksters should "get some Pampers."

Residents of the dorm confirmed visitation to at least the afflicted parts of the dorm have been suspended since residential assistants and janitorial staff first discovered the fecal matter in the shower stalls three weeks ago. While a visit to the showers showed the stall to be clean - the smell of bleach is still strong in many of them - residents feared threats ranging from bacterial infection in the showers to rumors that campus janitorial staff will refuse to clean up any further incidents.

Glen Tillman, a Rapides resident who lives near one of the

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Man arrested, accused of stalking NSU students

By Mindy Mixon
Sauce Reporter

Richard M. Lindsey, 2348 Hwy. 6 Lot #11, was arrested last week for unauthorized entry of an inhabited dwelling, breaking and entering and aggravated burglary.

Last Monday 20-year-old Lindsey entered the home of Brandon L. Dodson and Matt Bourque between the hours of 3:00 and 5:00 a.m. Before entering Dodson's bedroom, which is where he would eventually be discovered, Lindsey wandered aimlessly through the house. His first stop would be the kitchen, where he would vomit in the sink, next the bathroom where he would discard his drink.

Around 5 a.m. Lindsey Prejean, girlfriend of Dodson, felt a hand on her leg. "It felt like fingertips were tapping on me - I thought that I was dreaming," said Prejean.

However, when she looked over onto the floor and saw a pile of vomit, Prejean suspected some sort of animal. "I thought that it could possibly be a dog in the house that Matt had let in," said Prejean.

When Prejean heard a board fall under the bed, she insisted that Dodson check under the covers.

"Who do you think it is, the boogey man?" were the final words from Dodson before kneeling down to the floor and coming face to face with Lindsey.

"He was a little, scrawny guy - gross looking," said Dodson. "His eyes were wide open- he didn't know where he was, I think he was on drugs."

While April Troxclair called 911, Bourque retrieved a shotgun to keep Lindsey immobile while they waited for police.

Jesse Taitano and Jason Haines were two of the arresting officers.

"He's already on probation for a first offense," said Taitano. "Doing this again is a violation of parole."

Lindsey's first offense occurred in Cane Plaza where he would peek in windows of female's apartments while ejaculating.

Courtney Michiels who called the police three separated times regarding Lindsey recalled, "He would stand below the stairwell, expose himself and jack off on my car."

Because breaking and entering is a felony, Prejean plans to press charges. The maximum sentence stands at $1,000 fine or imprisonment

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Visitation rights

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afflicted showers, feared that "it might happen again after we get it (visitation) back." Tillman said visitation for his hall on the south wing of the second floor might be reinstated as early as today.

Director of Housing Woody Blair only tentatively confirmed Tillman's claims, saying visitation for the entire dorm was also scheduled to be restored today.

"We're trying to get residents to cooperate and build a community," Blair said. "Sometimes that means turning in people that are harming the community."

However, the *Sauce's* anonymous sources said residents of the south wing of the fourth floor, which was hit the worst, were not scheduled to regain visitation privileges until Oct. 23, and that if any further stool-related incidents take place all dorm residents could face $25 fines and a permanent loss of visitation privileges.

When asked why visitation was revoked, Blair said no information was or would ever be available from university officials concerning the events that caused the visitation suspension.

"Students misbehave, hopefully it passes."

Woody Blair
University housing official

When pressed for details, Blair said, "Students misbehave, hopefully it passes." He refused to comment further.

Director of Student Services Frances Conine confirmed the fecal activity and said that while this is not the first time this sort of thing has occurred, it still shocked her.

"What would his (the phantom pooper's) mother say if she knew her son did this?" Conine said, adding that "who knows" when or if the attacker will strike again.

Students living in and out of Rapides often expressed confusion or disbelief when informed of the pooper's strikes.

Rapides resident Freshman Codey Christensen said, "I want my visitation back, and whomever did this is a coward."

"Nobody knows for sure but the main people, and the main people won't talk about it," Christensen said.

Senior Rapides resident John Snow, II initially was fearful about speaking, but said, "I think once he is caught they should tell his parents and then beat his butt."

Alpha Omicron Pi Freshman Kylie Rafidi said if rumors about fraternity involvement were true, "it'd be disrespectful to their letters." Still, she believed the entire situation was disgusting.

Facts about Feces

What, indeed, is poop? Few students know more about feces than the fact that it exits the body after a box or two of pizza or a few cups of ramen noodles. But do the acts of fecal terrorism in Rapides warrant any real terror?

The Current Sauce has the poop scoop, courtesy of Scoop on Poop (http://www.heptune.com/poop.html) and the Gale Encyclopedia of Medicine:

* Besides food products and a large amount of water, dead intestinal bacteria can make up a third of fecal matter.
* Shigella, Salmonella, Campylobacter, and Yersinia cause the most common bacterial infections of the digestive tract.
* Bacteria that are normally found in the intestines include Pseudomonas and Escherichia coli (e. coli), which is toxic when digested.

Resolution passes, cell phone use restricted

By Rob Morgan
Sauce Reporter

The Faculty Senate passed a resolution further prohibiting cell phones in the classroom during their meeting last Tuesday.

Proposed by Flemming Thomas, the resolution describes cell phones as "an unwelcomed intrusion into the academic endeavors of Northwestern State University." In his resolution Thomas, the assistant professor in the Library, determined that time and places should be designated where students are allowed to use cell phones on campus.

"I proposed the resolution to give the right to faculty and staff to designate where cell phones can be used," Thomas said. "Cell phones and beepers have really become intrusive to the point of distractions to other people."

Also, he proposed that each academic department should delegate to its faculty "full and complete authority to establish rules for the use of cell phones in classrooms, laboratories, seminars, filed exercises, including Watson Library, and the consequences of violating these rules."



Photo by Rachael Kidd
The Faculty Senate has proposed a bill that will restrict the use of cell phones in specific areas on campus.

"Consequences will be left up entirely to the faculty member," Thomas said, "if they want to throw a student out of class; they can do it. They have the right anyway."

"I do find it distracting and students should turn them off in class," Sue Weaver, Dean of the University College, said. "I have not heard what the appropriate locations are, but anywhere in class is inappropriate."

"I would not kick a student out of the classroom for the phone ringing, though," Weaver said.

"I told my students at the beginning of the year that I leave my cell phone in my office, so they can leave theirs," Thomas Reynolds, English teacher, said,

"Every once in a while someone will leave their phone on by accident, but I don't think they would be stupid enough to talk on it," Reynolds said.

"It (cell phones) interrupt the learning process," Lasonna Frierson, sophomore, said. "The students can talk to someone after class."

"I think it is a good idea," Jay Sharplin, graduate student, said. "A ringing cell phone is pretty annoying while sitting in class."

Regulations regarding the use of cell phones shall be placed by all academic departments in noticeable places, and the rules shall be incorporated into the syllabi of various classes.

Man arrested

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for not more than six years or both.

Currently, Lindsey remains in the Natchitoches Parish Detention Center with bail set at $11,000.

"I call every day to find out if he's out yet," said Prejean.

The court date is set for Oct. 29, 2001.

"The police told us that it could take up to year from when he gets out of jail until he goes back," said Dodson. In any event, these roommates are not taking any chances.

"We have sheets covering every window," Bourque said. "New locks on all the doors - we didn't think this could happen to us, we felt like our neighborhood was safe. Now we are more cautious."

"I'm scared to death," confessed Prejean. "I jump at every little thing. I can't help but thinking about how when your little, you always look for the monster under your bed..it's just unbelievable."

"The scary thing to me is that he went to the kitchen first," said Dodson. "He could easily have grabbed a knife or some type of weapon and come into my bedroom and slit my throat -- we could all be dead right now."

To keep from becoming a victim, police urge students to lock and deadbolt all doors at night and watch for suspicious strangers.

Faculty forum gives University students better understanding of terrorist attacks

By Bess Renfrow
Sauce Reporter

A forum on America's war on terrorism was held on Tuesday night for the students and faculty of NSU.

Four professors from different disciplines were the guest speakers. Dr. Alexis Aichinger from the department of social sciences spoke from the view of civil rights and the constitution. Dr. Greg Granger, also from the department of social sciences, spoke from the view of international politics. Dr. Fraser Snowden from the Scholar's College, spoke from the viewpoint of religion and philosophy and John Foster from the department of language and communications spoke from the viewpoint of the armed forces.

Each speaker gave a 10 minute introductions, after which, questions from the audience were received. The questions ranged from the difference between the Bible and the Koran to whether or not the draft would be re-instated.

"The forum has helped me grasp what is going on after all of the terrorist attacks on the nation," Daniel Staid, a freshman forestry major, said.

The forum was sponsored by the Student Government Association, and will be aired on NSU 22.

Campus Connections

ARGUS
The new editions of *Argus*, the NSU literary and art magazine, are ready and can be picked up for free in room 335 of Kyser hall.

DISNEY
Disney is giving a presentation about paid internships November 15 at 5 p.m. in Russel Hall Room 107. All majors and college levels are eligible.

NSU CLUB SOCCER
NSU Club Soccer invites anyone who is interested in playing club soccer to their practices which are held behind Watson library at 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday and Sunday.

SPANISH CLUB
The Spanish Club would like to invite potential members to its weekly meetings, every Wednesday at 3 p.m. in room 331 of Kyser Hall.

T.O.P.S
Jeff Cropo will be hosting a TOPS retention seminar Monday at 4 p.m. in Magale Hall.

CATHOLIC STUDENT ORGANIZATION
The CSO will be having weekly Bible studies every Tuesday at 8 p.m. at the center. Everyone is welcome. There will also be a praise and worship service Wednesday. For any information call Amy Dowden at 352-2615 or email to amyburson@hotmail.com.

BAPTIST COLLEGIATE MINISTRY
The BCM will have Wednesday night worship at the BCM, across the street from Watson Library, every Wednesday night. The worship begins at 8:31 p.m. All students are welcome to attend. For more information call the BCM at 352-5464.

CIRCLE K INTERNATIONAL
Circle K International invites you its meetings every Tuesday night at 8:30 p.m. in room 320 of the Student Union. For more information call Jessica at 357-5974.

PANHELLENIC COUNCIL
James Malinchak is speaking at 7 p.m. in the Student Union Ballroom today. Please come.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES BOARD
The SAB's 2001 Fall Fest has been rescheduled for today from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. in front of the Student Union.

PHI BETA LAMBDA
Phi Beta Lambda (PBL) is having its informational meeting October 10 at noon in room 213 of Russell Hall. Anyone interested in attending the meeting is welcome.

BLUE KEY
Blue Key is meeting tonight at 8 p.m. in the Cane River Room in the Student Union. Blue Key will be electing officers at the meeting.

NSU ABROAD
There will be an informational meeting in room 309F of Watson Library at 2 p.m. on Monday about NSU trips to France and Italy this summer. The meeting will be hosted by Dr. Wolffe and Dr. Jensen. Anyone who is interested in these trips should attend the meeting.

LADY OF THE BRACELET
Any female interested in being a participant in the 2002 Miss Lady of the Bracelet pageant should go by room 214 of the Student Union to pick up a scholarship application. There will be an informational meeting Wednesday in the President's Room of the Student Union.

DEMON VOLLEYBALL
The NSU Demons volleyball team will take on McNeese State Friday at 7 p.m. in Prather Coliseum. They will also face Lamar Saturday at home at 4 p.m. Admission is free and all students are encouraged to attend.

***To see your Campus Connections in next week's edition of The Current Sauce, drop off your information in the Campus Connection box in room 225 of Kyser Hall.**



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University housing officials discuss "designer dorms"

By Mindy Mixon
Sauce Reporter

For twenty-first century college students, quality of life on campus takes precedence over the schools academics.

Housing officials across the nation hurry to renovate and remodel campus housing in order to better compete for students. Northwestern State University joins the rat race.

"Here at NSU, we want the best total educational experience we can," Dan Seymour, vice-president of Student Affair, said. "While classes are important, college is more than just school. It's about the environment of the campus. We want dorms that students can live in comfortably and socialize."

Currently, four focus groups are meeting now to brainstorm and discuss what students really desire in campus housing. There are twelve people in each group who differ in every way imaginable.

"The composition of the groups is systematic to assure representation of various student groups on campus," Seymour said.

> ***"Here at NSU, we want the best total educational experience we can."***
>
> Dan Seymour
> Vice-president of student affairs

Because women outnumber men on campus, the groups will comprise seven females and five males. There will be Greeks, non-Greeks, African Americans, Caucasian, graduate students as well as undergraduate students. The only group not represented will be non-traditional students because they don't live on campus.

The purpose of the focus groups is to collect information so that the certain faculty can develop a survey instrument which will be distributed throughout campus to be completed by students. This is how Northwestern will determine what students really want and from this data they will begin to design a long range housing plan to implement these wants. And not a moment too soon.

Some dormitories on campus are in desperate need for renovation - especially Caspari where one entire wing is shut down due to deterioration.

"The conditions of our dorms are competitive with other schools," Seymour said. "Now, some systems in the dorms like the air conditioning might not be working but that can be fixed."

All information required for the devising of the long range housing plan will be compiled by the end of the fall semester.

Minutes 09-24-01

I. Call to Order- 7:00 p.m.
The prayer was lead by Natalie Prewitt. The pledge was lead by Tara Newman.

Roll Call

Present
Leanna Anderson
Beau Boudreaux
Rusty Broussard
Jorge Bustamante
Buster Carlisle
Chandra Clark
Greg Comeaux
Jessica Cramer
Samantha Jo Foley
Dustin Floyd
Jennifer Fox
Sarah Griffith
Jeremy Henriques
Liz Hughes
Jennifer Jensen
Sharmyn Little
Jeremy Malmay
Scott Manguno
Dustin Matthews
Mindy McConnell
Tara Newman
Justin Owen
Adam Pennell
Patrick Peoples
Zack Pulliam
Laura Smith
Cade Strong
Frank Toro
Torrey Washington
Timmy Watts
Travis Williams

Absent
Stacie Cosby
Will Hooper (excused)

Greg moved to approve last week's minutes. Justin Owen seconded.

II. Executive Reports
Treasurer- Frank Toro
Budget Report to go out next week. Please approve Zack Pulliam to Fiscal Affairs.
Vice President -Dustin Matthews
Runoffs are this week please promote them.
Patrick Peoples enters the meeting.
President - Rusty Broussard
Congrats to all new Senators. Received a fax from the Commissioner of Higher Education about drafting for the army. If any one is in the army, please come talk to Rusty Broussard for more info. Northwestern has become a fully accredited college. CASBA will be the 8th and 9th. Rusty Broussard, Jeremy Malmay, Cade Strong, Zack Pulliam, Liz Hughes, Sarah Griffith, and Jana Freeman will be attending. Please see Rusty after the meeting. I will be appointing Torrey Washington, Cade Strong, Jeremy Malmay, Zack, Pulliam, Mindy McConnell, and Jorge Bustamante. STAT meeting was last week. We increased the amount of money for Varnado's computer lab. Not enough money was appropriated for the wiring. Policy procedures for the technology equipment were approved. STAT grants are coming soon. Applications will be available October 1- October 31 from the NSU website. Facilities meeting will be at 9:00 a.m. tomorrow. We have written new election rules that will be followed at the runoff election on Wednesday and Thursday. All Senators must sign up for one hour each day of the runoffs to work the polls. Forum will be held at 7:00 tomorrow in the studio. Please plan on attending. Rusty will have a meeting with Dr. Webb on Friday. Rusty would like the senate to approve money for more constitutions.

III. Departmental Reports
Academic Affairs- Jessica Cramer
Still working on lecture series. Stacie Cosby is still working on the yoga and ballroom dancing classes.
External Affairs- Greg Comeaux
Meeting at 2:00 Wed. Radio show is Tues. from 9:00-12:00.
Fiscal Affairs- Frank Toro
Please approve Zack Pulliam to Fiscal. Justin-will be sending a letter to RSO for review. Greg-Friday is the last day to file for Organizational Grants. He would like to see Frank after the meeting. Scott-Flyers will be put up for club sports (Frisbee, Karate, & Bowling).
Internal Affairs- Dustin Floyd
Meeting will be Monday at 4:00. Draft of Election Rules will go out tomorrow.
Student Affairs- Buster Carlisle
Thursday at 4:30 there will be a meeting. The Forum tomorrow will count as an office hour.
Advisor's Report- Mr. Henry
Recommends a committee be formed to review election rules. There should be by-laws for the election board.
SAB Report- Will Hooper
Will was not here tonight, so Rusty spoke in his place. Coffee House is tonight in The Alley at 8:00 p.m. Fall fest is Thursday from 2:00 -5:00.

IV. Old Business
Swore in senators: Samantha Jo Foley, Linzie Ledford, Natalie Prewitt, Jennifer Fox, Liz Hughes, Laura Smith, and Adam Pennell.

V. New Business
FA01-004 is in your folders this will be tabled for one week. Please read and be prepared to vote on it next week.
Please approve the Presidential Appointments: Zack Pulliam, Jeremy Henriques, Cade Strong, Torrey Washington, Jorge Bustamante, and Mindy McConnell.
Greg Comeaux moved to approve the new senators.
Justin Owen seconded.
Rusty Broussard administered the Oath of Office to new Senators.
Frank Toro moves to approve Zack Pulliam back to Fiscal Affairs.
Motion passes by general consent.
Rusty Broussard moved to open the floor for nominations for Vice-Chairman of the election committee.
Sarah Griffith nominates Justin Owen.
Motion seconded.
Jennifer Jensen nominates Jeremy Henriques.
Motion seconded.
Nominees leave the room.
Voting is done by show of hands.
Justin Owen wins
Rusty Broussard recommends Stacie Cosby and Dustin Floyd to sit as the two voting members of ITAC.
Motion passes by general consent.
Liz Hughes moved to approve the purchase of constitutions up to $200.00.
Sarah Griffith seconded.
Discussion.
Motion passes 22-3-4 in a roll call vote.

VI. Announcements
Don't forget Forum tomorrow at 7:00.
Please promote elections.
Greg needs to see Frank Toro, Dustin Floyd, and Dustin Matthews.
Student Affairs please meet with Buster after the meeting.
Blood drive is the 27th outside the ROTC meeting.
Rusty read the new rules for elections.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

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Cell phone resolution will not work

The faculty senate has approved a resolution that would allow faculty to prohibit all use of cell phones in classrooms.

Do you remember when *Saved by the Bell* used to air and Zach Morris used to answer his cell phone in class? The other day, in class, I heard a ring. The whole class was distracted, because this person answered his cell phone instead of just turning off the ringer.

When he answered the phone he said something like "Hey I'm in class right now, call me back later."

Some people believe that cell phone usage has gotten out of control because of incidents like this.

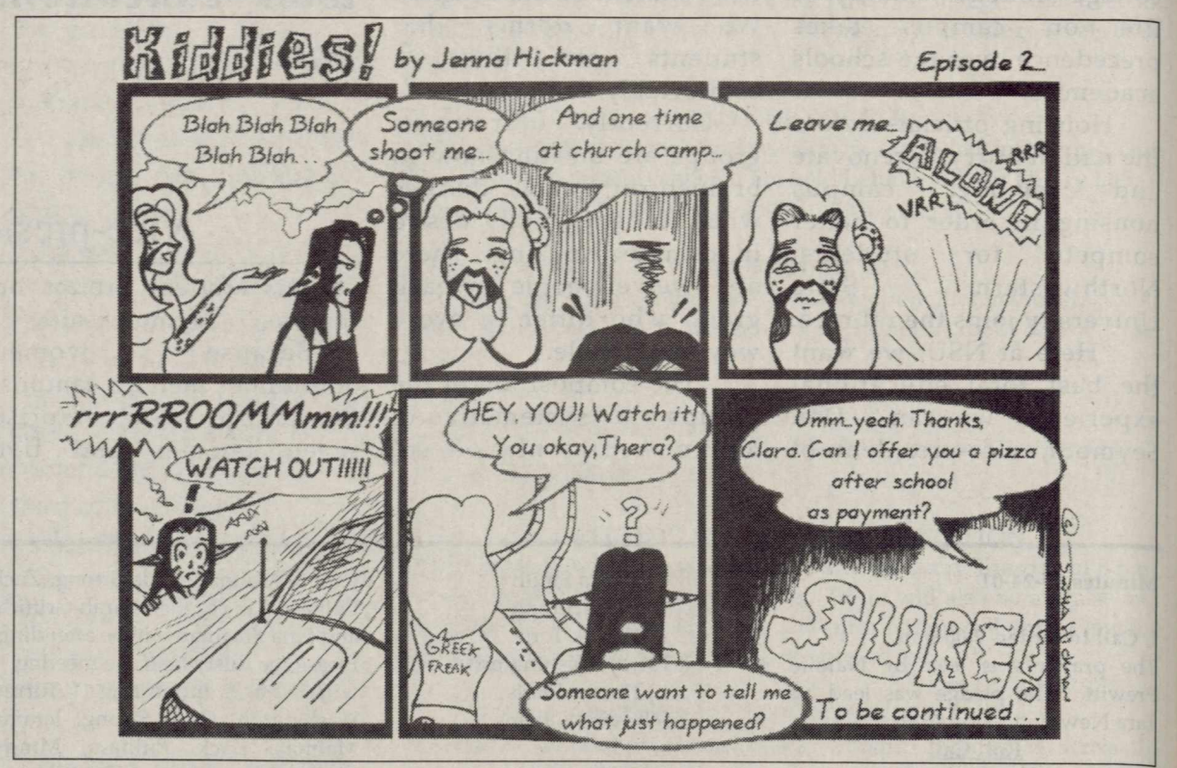


It is respectful to keep cell phones off in a classroom and students should already be doing this. There are options such as silent and vibrate.

Yet, teachers need to realize that students have personal lives and in emergencies, may need to be contacted.

This ruling will actually cause more problems than solutions. I do not think it is necessary to have a set rule because students will never abide by it.

-Kristen Dauzat
Opinions Editor



Editor's Take

Visitation story worth running, even if it was touchy subject

By Rondray Hill
Editor

Yep, I see 'um coming.

I'm talking about your angry letters and phone calls to me wondering why we would run a story about feces in the showers of Rapides.

It's okay, I've gotten used to hearing your voices.

I would just like to start out by saying this,

No.

No, we did not run the story for shock value.

No, we did not run the story to take out any grudges on the administration.

And, no, we are not doing this just to stir things up.

The staff at the *Current Sauce* does a great job of deciding news value of all the stories we run.

And this week, the news value on our front page story was too great to stick on page three.


Rondray Hill
Editor

But we also need to show a visual of the type of person (or persons) stupid enough to do this. That's the reason the picture accompanies the story.

The basic question we used in deciding this story's value was this; "Wouldn't you want to know if someone was...well...doing their business in your shower?"

My feeling on this story is this; what ever happened to mature college students? What kind of an idiot thinks this is funny, a way to get attention, or both?

No, really. I'd like to know who likes to do moronic things like this. The conversation probably went like this.

"Well, I'm sitting in my room. Of course, there'd be no girls here cause I'm a loser. So now I'm bored. What can I do?

"I've got it. I'll go and leave a gift for the residents of my dorm. That'll show the girlies how cool I am! Yeah, I'm the man for this."

For the person, or persons, who are involved in this low I.Q. exercise, the Current Sauce staff is offering you an interview.

We'd like to provide a public service to the rest of the students on who not to hang around. Need to know how to get in touch with me? Here you go.

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Managing Editor's Take

NSU administrators: stop living in a bubble, release the truth

By Kaleb Breux
Managing Editor

"Beating around the bush." It is a term that seems to be coined by the upper administration here at NSU.

I recently realized this when one of my writers returned to the office with a sad look upon his face. He informed me of an NSU administrator who refused to comment about a certain situation that has and will affect many students on campus.

The administrator: Woody Blair, a University housing official; the situation: the problem with feces being spread about in the Rapides Hall's community showers.


Kaleb Breaux
Managing Editor

In the well-written story located on the front page of this week's issue of *The Current Sauce*, Blair has been quoted saying, "Students misbehave, hopefully it passes." The reporter then asked if there is any official information concerning why the visitation (in Rapides Hall) was cancelled?" The reporter, who we will call Garrett, said Blair shook his head "no." Garrett then asked, "Will there ever be any official information on the subject?" Garrett said that Blair dittoed his earlier response and the conversation ended abruptly after the last question. Kristen, the other reporter and Opinions editor, also told me that any official who may have information also refused to speak about the situation except for Frances Conine, director of student services.

The situation was handled the way that most University administrators would have handled the issue. You see, the administration, on this well-established campus, tends to live in a "bubble" where nothing ever goes wrong.

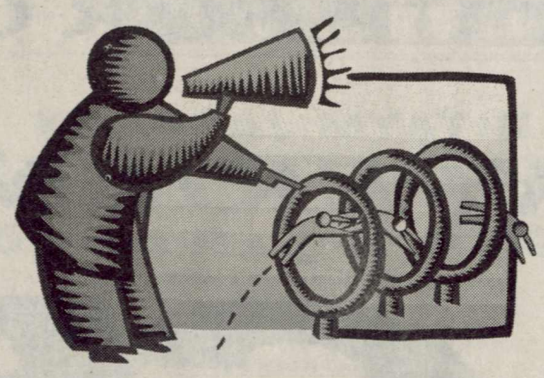
They use the "out of sight, out of mind" theory. They think things will just go away if they are not discussed. But Mr. Blair, some things do not just go away.

I am not only providing this information for Mr. Blair, but also to all you administrators, head detectives at the University police station and some Student Government Association members who "beat around the bush" with students who just want to be informed.

I will finish by saying this...We, as the students at NSU, want and have the right to know about things that are and will be affecting us. I am pleading with you, as University administration, to keep us informed, even if it means giving up what you call, "valuable information."



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In Perspective

Images of Jazz comes to NSU

Famous photographer Herman Leonard speaks about his work, experiences



Billie Holiday sings the blues in 1949. Leonard named this photo, "Billie with Angel." He said Holiday was one of the three great female jazz singers, those being Holiday, Sarah Vaughn and Ella Fitzgerald.

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Photo courtesy LPB

Herman Leonard is 78 years old, and owns a studio in New Orleans. He spent years of his life photographing jazz greats. He also has worked for *Playboy.*



Sarah Vaughn sings at Birdland in 1949. Leonard said Vaughn was a "gas."

"She was always making jokes and making everyone laugh. We went to a baseball game once and she haggled the umpire," he said. "With her, you were guaranteed a good time."

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Nat King Cole at his piano in 1949. Leonard said, "During the afternoon of our photo session, he filled my studio with beautiful music for over four hours ... an unforgettable day in my life."



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Ella Fitzgerald sings in 1960. Leonard photographed her numerous times in New York City nightclubs throughout the '50s and '60s.



Photo by Rachael Kidd/Current Sauce

Students can see Leonard's collection throughout October in NSU's Orville J. Hanchey Gallery. The collection features pictures of Chet Baker, Louis Armstrong, James Moody, Anita O'Day, Dizzy Gillespie, Miles Davis, Tony Bennett, Wynton Marsalis and others.

by Elona Boggs
Life Editor

It's a hot night in July 1948 in New York City, and it's even hotter on 52nd, Broadway and Harlem.

On these streets, sounds of jazz drift out of swinging nightclubs like fog. They coax all who hear them into their refuge, including a young man named Herman Leonard.

In 1948, Leonard had just gotten out of the army and graduated from college. He had little money -- just a 4 x 5 speed graphic camera a love for jazz and photography.

"I was 25 years old, and living in New York City. I went there to try to make it in photography," he said.

Leonard wanted to go to those nightclubs, but couldn't afford tickets to go every night. He asked owners if he could take photos of the jazz musicians, in exchange for free admission.

Seated on the front row of the audience, Leonard captured images of musicians like Duke Ellington, Dizzy Gillespie, Billie Holiday, Sarah Vaughn and Louis Armstrong.

"I went in there during rehearsals until they got to know me. After that, they allowed me to shoot during performances," he said.

Mingling with jazz greats was scary for Leonard at first.

"I was very aware of their importance. Just for me to be there was an honor," he said.

Leonard eventually became friends with the musicians he photographed.

"One of the closest friends I had was Dizzy Gillespie. He was a warm individual, and was a great humanitarian," he said. "He always helped others. He never got into drugs like so many other musicians did."

In 1956, Leonard got a job photographing Marlon Brando. He traveled with Brando to the Orient, capturing images of the actor while he researched for the film *Teahouse of the August Moon*. After this, Leonard moved to Paris and worked for Barclay Records, and later became the European photographer for *Playboy*.

"While I was in Europe, I missed out on the new musicians who entered the jazz scene in New York City," he said. "I never had a chance to photograph those new musicians."

In 1980, Leonard moved to London. In the move, he found some old negatives of his jazz collection in a cardboard box under his bed.

"I found those negatives in a moment of poverty," he said. "I'd been living on an island in the Mediterranean for eight years, and I ran out of money."

Leonard organized an exhibit and brought his collection to galleries in London. Those galleries refused to show his work.

"I was too old to enter photography again, and I had lost some connections," he said. "I finally found a little place on Portabello Road, and they agreed to do the show."

The exhibit was named *Images of Jazz*, and more than 10,000 people came to see it.

"With great strokes of luck, we got a lot of publicity. I think it was successful because the pictures had never been seen by the public, " he said.

Leonard's collection can be seen at universities and museums throughout the world. This month throughout October, it can be seen at the Northwestern State University's Orville J. Hanchey Gallery.

"The collection is a tremendous tool for learning about jazz," he said.

The prints in the display include those of Ella Fitzgerald, Nat King Cole, Louis Armstrong, James Moody, Chet Baker, Miles Davis, Duke Ellington, Tony Bennett and others. Also included are quotes from musicians and critics about jazz and Leonard's photographic technique.

Now 78 years old, Leonard lives in New Orleans, and operates his own studio. He photographs images of the city, and is working on a collection that captures what he calls "the spirit of New Orleans."

He said photography keeps him young.

"It allows me to penetrate other people's lives without getting too involved," he said. "With photography, I was able to meet the kings, the queens and the

"With photography, I was able to meet the kings, the queens and the paupers of the world."
- Herman Leonard

It's a grand old time for wearing red, white and blue

by Candace Murphy
Knight Ridder Newspapers

Over the past two weeks, Americans have worn their patriotism on their sleeves. And their lapels. And their heads.

The reds, whites and blues on display in storefronts and making their way into shopping bags - T-shirts, hair scrunchies, even tie-dyed hats like those in San Francisco's Haight Ashbury - prove that even fashion isn't immune to current events.

"We put these red, white and blue wigs on display last Thursday," said Laura Amaral, a sales associate at Wig N' Out in Santa Clara, Calif. "We want to stand by our country and support it."

Though during the late `60s wearing a flag was tantamount to showing disrespect, these days, in the wake of the recent terrorist attacks, patriotism isn't just a way of collectively getting through a tough time, it's borderline cool.

That's a boon for all-American designers like Ralph Lauren and Tommy Hilfiger, who have long flown the color. And a bust for those designers who invested in camouflage fabrics this season.

"Definitely everything red, white and blue is in," said Kathy Lamancusa, a trend analyst based in Canton, Ohio. "It's showing support and patriotism."

The options are plentiful. At one California mall, Claire's, an accessory store, has red, white and blue glitter tattoos, belts and bangles. Gymboree has a pint-size red, white and blue sweater.

Target stores are scheduled to have in stock T-shirts sporting flags, stars and stripes for adults and kids, priced at only $5 and $4.

If you don't want to wear your patriotism - or if you are a student whose school dress code has banned the wearing of red or blue because of its association with gang colors - you can gear up to look at it instead.

But there is a fine line between patriotism and tackiness. That was the case during 1991's Persian Gulf War, when some zealots bought T-shirts picturing Saddam Hussein in the cross hairs of a rifle scope surrounded by blood red words: "INSANE HUSSEIN - TIME FOR YOUR MEDICATION."

NSU's Jones and Terrell win crowns

Kimberly Jones was recently crowned Miss City of Lights. Jones, a senior liberal arts major at Northwestern State University, will represent the City of Natchitoches at the Miss Louisiana Pageant in June. Her platform issue is volunteerism.

First runner-up to Miss City of Lights was Natchitoches resident and Northwestern freshman Laura Terrell.

NSU symphony to perform

A pops concert with the Natchitoches-Northwestern Symphony Orchestra will be on Oct. 4 in Prather Coliseum.

Richard Rose will conduct the NNSO. The Jazz Orchestra will perform a number of popular big band dance tunes.

The Jazz Orchestra will also take part in the annual Christmas Gala on Nov. 30 along with the entire Mrs. H.D. Dear and Alice E. Dear Department of Creative and Performing Arts at NSU.

For more information, contact Galindo Rodriguez.

Reporting the Afghanistan story is tough for TV women

by Donna Petrozzello
New York Daily News

While reporting from regions of the Middle East where anti-American sentiment is high can be tough, TV's female correspondents face an especially hard time tackling the current story in Afghanistan.

In a culture where women are forced to cover themselves from head to toe in public and are stripped of many basic freedoms, female reporters are not allowed in some areas and have been prohibited from attending events.

American TV journalists flocked to the Middle East following the Sept. 11 attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon, and President Bush's vow to take aim at Afghanistan-based terrorist Osama Bin Laden.

CBS News' Moscow reporter Elizabeth Palmer, who is based in northern Afghanistan in a non-Taliban-controlled area, said she couldn't attend a prayer ceremony and political meeting at a mosque this week.

She also has had to wear long pants, long-sleeve shirts and a scarf that covers her forehead and chin in stifling, hot weather to conform with dress codes.

"Women to a large extent are in a very underprivileged situation here," Palmer said Tuesday.

Christiane Amanpour, CNN's chief international correspondent and veteran war reporter, arrived in Islamabad, Pakistan, last week, and has been denied access - along with other Western journalists - to areas of Afghanistan that are controlled by the Taliban government.

MSNBC anchor and correspondent Ashleigh Banfield and Fox News Channel's Amy Kellogg are posted in Islamabad and ABC's Hilary Brown is in Quetta, Pakistan.

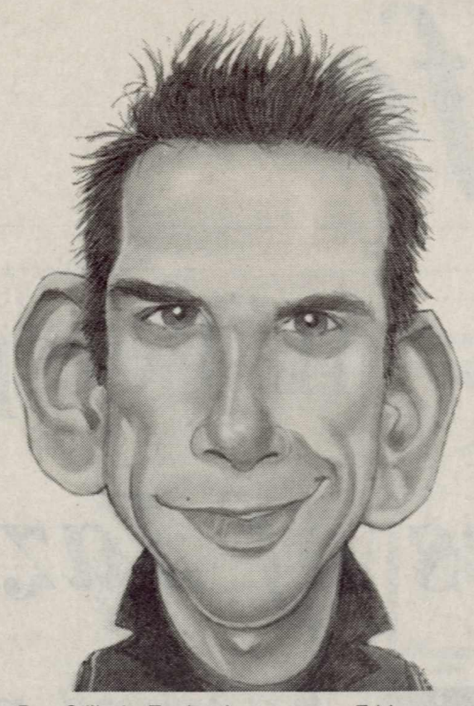
The oppressive lifestyle and tense political situation have forced them all to adjust.

Amanpour said her cameramen may need to shoot footage through rolled-up car windows or with cameras hidden in the folds of their clothing to avoid having equipment destroyed or confiscated by Taliban enforcers.

"It's difficult here as a TV reporter, but even more so as a woman," Amanpour said. "I've had to hide our cameras as much as possible and then move quickly away from the area you've just shot in so that you don't stay in one position for too long."

Banfield, who spent a year in the Middle East in 1991, dyed her blond hair black and cut it short before returning to the region this week.

"I'm somewhat concerned being a woman in an Islamic republic filled with fundamentalists who hate Americans," Banfield said.



Ben Stiller's *Zoolander* opens on Friday. The film is about clueless male models, and also stars Owen Wilson.

Illustration courtesy of KRT Campus

Opening in theaters Friday

by Philip Wuntch
The Dallas Morning News

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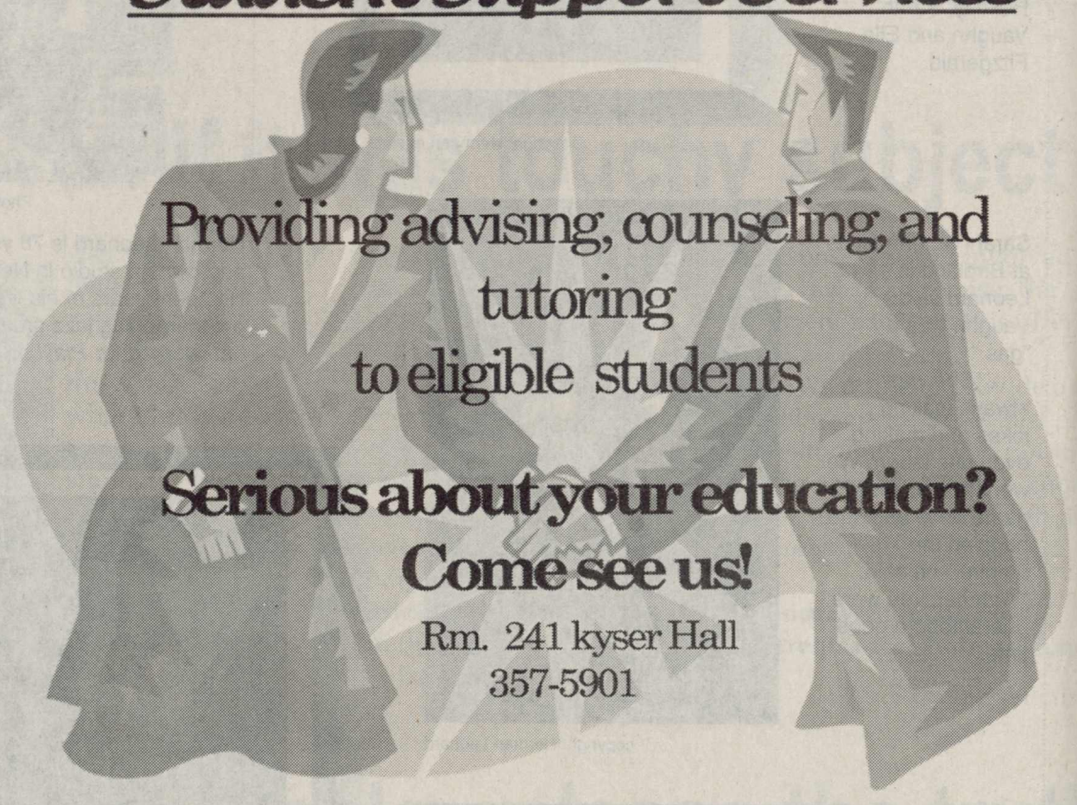
DON'T SAY A WORD - Michael Douglas is in hot water again, this time as a psychiatrist who must obtain information from a violent, catatonic patient in order to free his kidnapped daughter

HEARTS IN ALTANTIS - Stephen King's story of a lonely boy who is befriended by a kind but mysterious stranger.

ZOOLANDER - Clueless male models Ben Stiller and Owen Wilson become unwittingly involved in a plot to assassinate the president of Malaysia.

BORN ROMANTIC - Jane Horrocks, Catherine McCormack, Adrian Lester, Olivia Williams and Ian Hart play looking-for-love Londoners who wind up at the same salsa club.

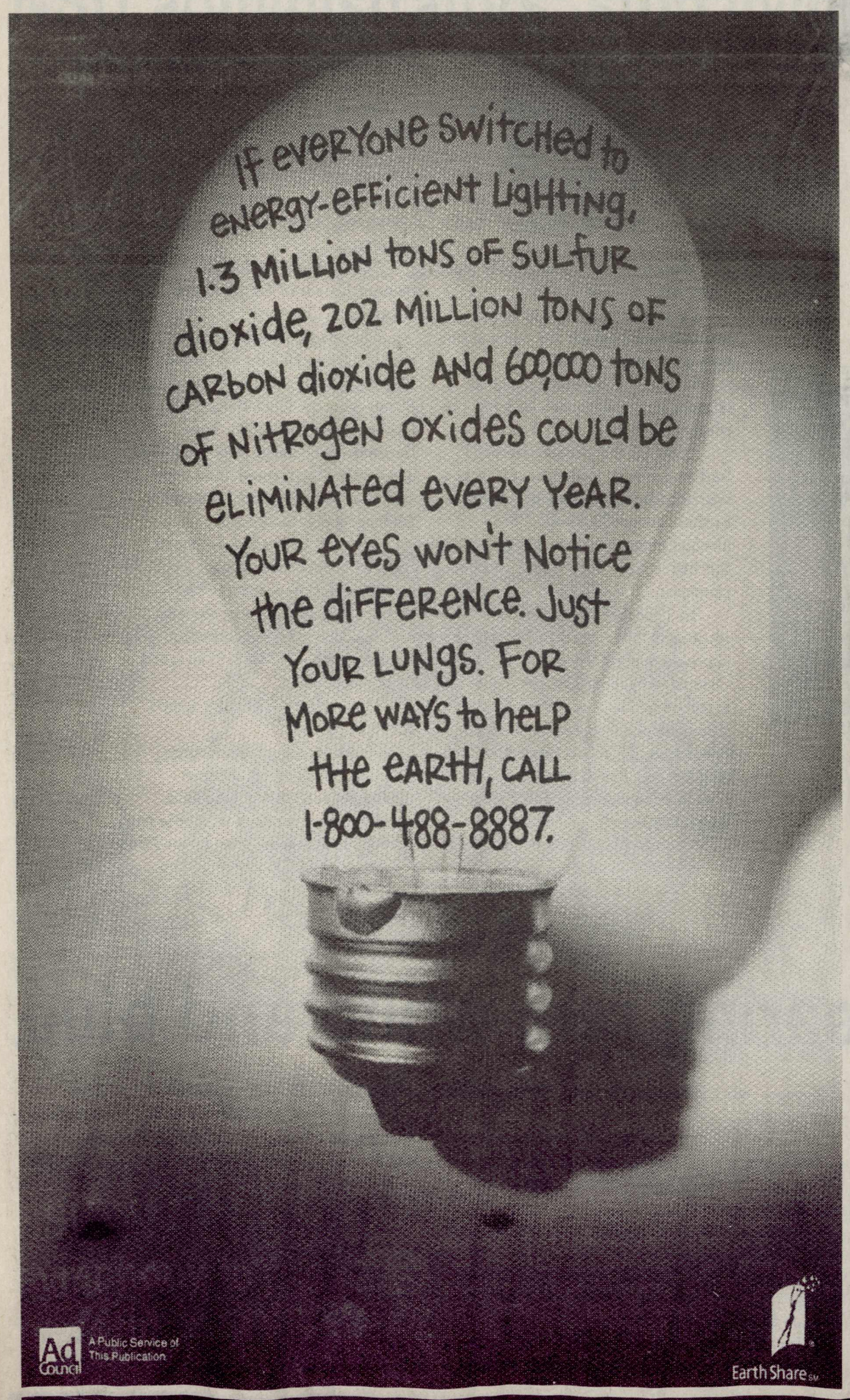
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NSU Demons 27, TCU Horned Frogs 24

Jumping for Joy

Demon players and fans shared in the excitement over NSU's shocking 27-24 upset at TCU

Demons keep a low profile after upset win over Horned Frogs

By Rondray Hill
Editor

Demon head coach Steve Roberts tried to talk about last saturday's victory against TCU as little as possible yesterday afternoon.

While speaking to the dozens of guests at the weekly Quarterback luncheon in the athletic fieldhouse, Roberts wanted to focus more on the preparations for this week's battle against the Oklahoma State Cowboys.

The people he was speaking to, however, weren't as interested in it as he was.

He fielded questions ranging from "how good of a dancer are you," to " what we're you guys feeling like when you knew the game was over?"

The average fan may think it's hard for Roberts and the Demons to focus on the Cowboys one week after one of the biggest wins in school history.

Roberts suggested otherwise.

" It's not that tough for us to get up for the next game," Roberts said. "Those moments are great. We get to act crazy, dance and celebrate for about 5 to 10 minutes."

Roberts and the Demons are trying to remain low key about their upset win over the Horned Frogs because they know they have a long way to go until the end of the regular season.

Their goal, according to Roberts, is not to beat TCU, but to win the conference.

" This is not the biggest win of our season," Roberts said. "What we want is to put ourselves in a position to win the Southland conference and to get into the playoffs.

With Southland conference teams already having three wins this season over Division I-A teams (Sam Houston over Louisiana-Monroe, Jacksonville State over Arkansas State, and NSU over TCU) Roberts thinks the conference competition will not be intimidated by last saturday's result.

"The competition in our league is good," Roberts said

"There are some very good teams in Southland conference, but our win should give us a lot of confidence going into conference play."



To Demon QB Craig Nall, pressure is no problem at all

by Rondray Hill
Editor

Craig Nall had a very good week.

Wake up on Saturday, play a little football, rack up 326 yards passing, and lead your team to a 27-24 win over TCU.

Sleep in Sunday.

Wake up on Monday. Go to class. After class, find out you've been named National Player of the Week.

Practice.

Go to sleep.

Wednesday, get swamped by media cameras and *Current Sauce* writers.

Practice.

Go to sleep.

"I found out I won the award in one of our meetings before practice" Nall said. "When I found out, I just made it a team honor, because it was a total team effort."

Nall has been under the spotlight since leading the Demons to one of their biggest wins in school history.

It's a place he's used to.

The former LSU player has played before big-time crowds in big-time pressure situations.

It's something that he said motivates him.

"Everyone on the field thought that we were going to win that night. We had confidence in our abilities."

It's a confidence that Demon Coach Steve Roberts said he sees on a daily basis.

" Craig is the type of person who never changes," Roberts said.

"He's the same person at practice as he is in a game. I think our team feeds off the leadership he shows, and his poise makes the team's confidence grow."

Nall said that both he and the Demons never go into a game thinking they're out of it.

He also said he loves to be an underdog.

" It's a lot of fun being the underdog," Nall said. "It's a lot sweeter when everyone is counting you out.

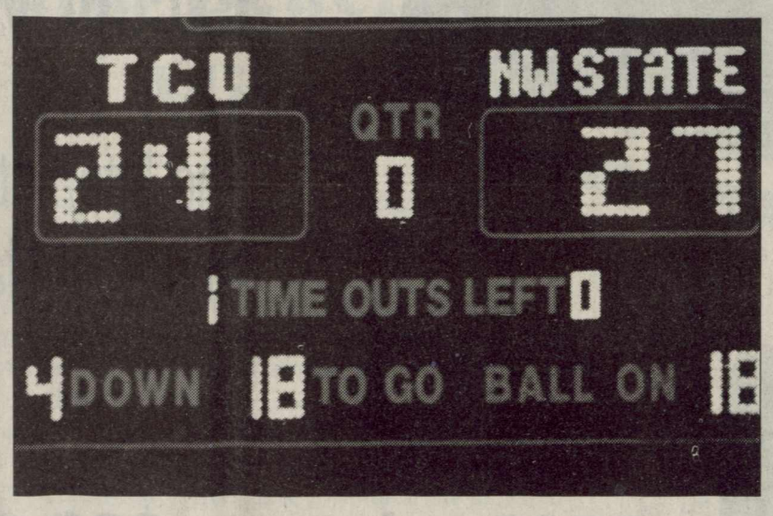
"This week, we'll go into this game the way we did the last one. It'll be a little tougher this week. I think we caught TCU off guard, but we won't catch Oklahoma State the same way."

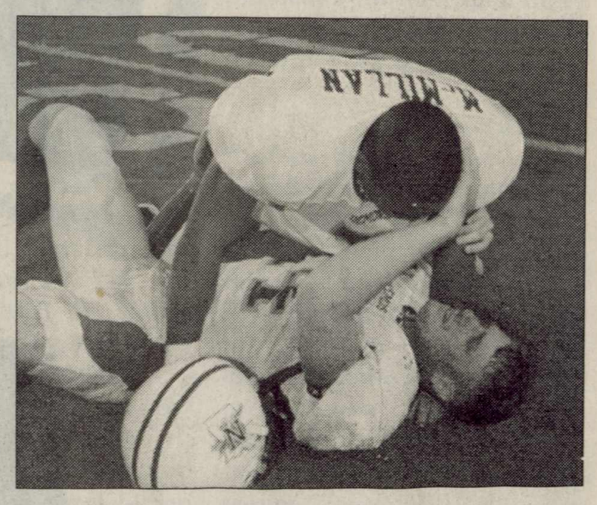
After that, Craig Nall had to go. He's got a lot to do this week, and not enough time.

Plan on beating OSU.

Go to sleep.







The Pictures say it all: Top, Colby Doucet is hoisted in the air by a teammate. **Bottom Left,** Demon fans and players sing the fight song with the band. Bottom Center: The final score of the historic game. **Bottom right,** Two teammates celebrate at midfield at the end of the game. *-Photos by Gary Hardamon*

No rest for the "road warriors"; up next is Oklahoma

The Northwestern State football team had no problem putting its overtime win over TCU in the rear view mirror. All the Demons needed to do was to get a look at this week's opponent, Oklahoma State.

The Big 12 Conference Cowboys have a healthy share of respect for the 3-0 Division I-AA Demons, too.

"We had a really productive workout," said Demon coach Steve Roberts after a two-hour late afternoon practice in full gear on the AstroPlay surface at Turpin Stadium. "We did a lot of mental work and some physical work, and we got a lot accomplished.

"Any time you have an emotional win, as a coach you worry about your team's mindset going into the next game," he said. "We had no trouble getting their focus right where it has to be. Our players understand the challenge facing us. Oklahoma State is big, physical and very talented."

The Cowboys, 1-2, were 21-7 losers at Texas A&M last week. They won their only home game, 30-23 over Louisiana Tech on Sept. 8.

The Demon Purple Swarm defense faces a different sort of test this week as Oklahoma State will be using an array of offensive sets with talented quarterback Aso Pogi running the show.

"They really throw a lot of different looks at you offensively trying to get you at a disadvantage," said Roberts. "They make you work extra hard mentally on every play, which is the kind of challenge a competitor enjoys."

One aspect the 3-0 Demons should enjoy is playing on a surface just like the new one at Turpin Stadium. Oklahoma State installed AstroPlay turf last winter at Lewis Field.

OSU head coach Les Miles said Monday his team "will have to do everything we can to win.

"At times they moved the ball at will against TCU," he said. "They're a good football team. We're going to be called on to respond. It's going to be a heck of a game."

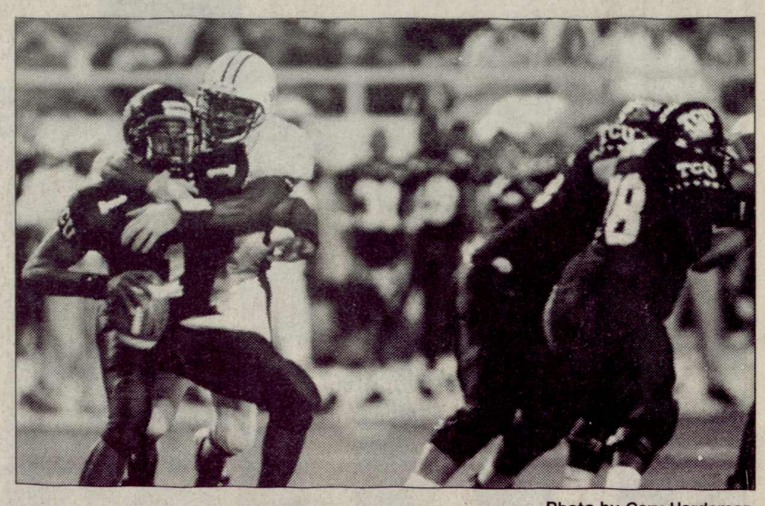


Photo by Gary Hardamon

The Demon defense has been unmerciful to opponents this season. Just ask TCU Quarterback Casey Printers, being sacked here

Demon Volleyball falls on road, heads back home to face

By Cooda Dobin
Sauce Reporter

The Demon volleyball team will face McNeese State (2-1) Friday in Prather Coliseum at 7 p.m.

After the first two games of SLC were postponed the Demons (1-2) started against conference foes Louisiana-Monroe.

The Demons edged ULM 3-2 going into conference play on the winning side.

Sophomore Aime Garcia had a match-high 17 kills and junior college transfer Kristen Franke led all players with a .458 hitting percentage, recorded 12 kills and added 18 digs.

Sophomore setter Cathy Herring showed a led NSU with 50 assists.

The next game, against Nicholls State (1-1) was a surprise for the Demons as they were defeated 3-2.

The Demons did have moments of sparks as they were led by junior Christina Stone with 15 kills and 3 service aces.

When the Demons went to take on Southeastern State (3-0) their record showed their dominance as they blanked the Demons, 3-0. This was the second consecutive game the Demons have lost in the conference, while Southeastern is on their best start since 1997, when joining the league.

Tuesday the Demons traveled to Huntsville, Texas to take on Sam Houston State (1-2).

Despite this being a close game, 3-2, the Demons would find themselves on the short end again for the third straight game.

Sam Houston outhit NSU .157 to .144. Franke led the pack with a .333 attack percentage and produced 10 kills and 10 digs.

The Demons are now looking forward to facing McNeese at home.

"We don't have to ride the bus for hours," says head coach James Onikeku.

The Demons are looking for this to be the game that starts their route to tournament action. Without the bus ride for away games the Demons will now relax and play in front of the home fans.

McNeese is bringing to the table two SLC players of the week in to led their dominate attack, senior middle blocker Kristin Richards and sophomore Tiffany Rose.

Richards led McNeese in kills in two out of the last three matches while collecting 48 kills (4.4 kpg) and a career high 26 in a victory over Texas-Arlington.

Rose set a career high with seven blocks and added 27 digs to close her week.

"This will be the game that changes the momentum of the season," said assistant coach Leigh Davis.



Photo by Gary Hardamon

Aime Garcia and the Demons are back at home this weekend

Soccer wins at UL-Lafayette 5-2

by Cooda Dobin
Sauce Reporter

The reigning Southland Conference champion Northwestern State (2-2-1) soccer team dominated non-conference Louisiana-Lafayette, 5-2 Tuesday night in Lafayette.

The Demons are coming off a three-game home stint, losing to Louisiana-Monroe, tie with McNeese State, and a postponed game with Stephen F. Austin.

Although this was not a conference game the Demons are taking every game and hoping to get better while working on things that could have been better in the previous games.

"This game was very important to win for our confidence going in to face Southeastern," said Coach Jimmy Mitchell.

Senior midfielders Shannon Tenney and Missy Payne went to work for the Demon. Tenney recorded two goals on assists from sophomore forward Hillarie Marshall in the opening half and later at the 63:49 mark from Brittany Hung. Payne connected with the net in the first minute of play off a Tenille Fogel assist.

"They are the heart and soul of our team," said coach Mitchell. "As they play well, the team plays well."

Also to score for the Demons were junior midfielder Fogel with the assistance of junior midfielder Kathryn Latiolais and Marshall with a pass from sophomore midfielder Jacquai Lawrence.

"The rest of the team steps up as the seniors step up," explains Tenney. "When everyone steps up that is when we win games."

ULL did react to the Demons scoring with scores of their own from Melissa Purvis and Jenny Brown who was assisted by Purvis.

The Demons did lose the category of being outshot 30-15, but that was not enough as they cruised back to Natchitoches in victory lane.

Senior goalkeeper Tiffany Swingler played 72-plus minutes for the Demons and recorded six saves. Freshman Nellie Latiolais had three saves in 17:35 of action.



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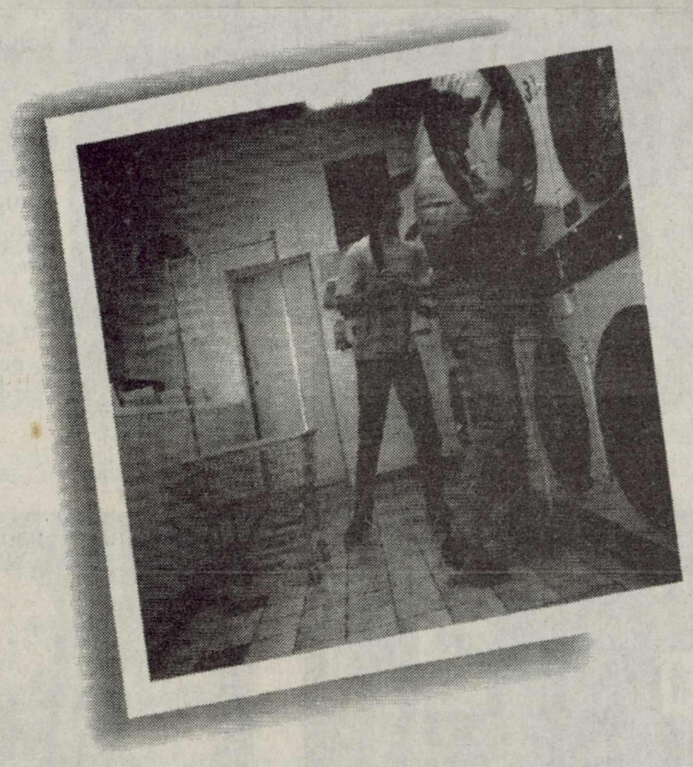
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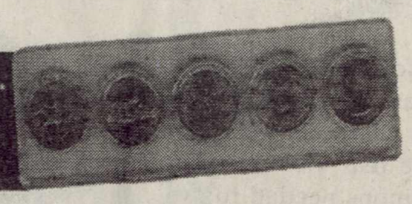
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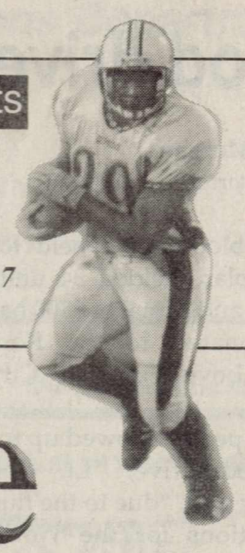
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Conference play begins for the Demon football team this weekend.

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Sauce Briefs

Email campaign to inform women of breast cancer

Courtesy of the News Bureau

The Community Wellness Project at Northwestern State University is planning to begin an e-mail campaign to inform women about breast cancer during October.

The program will begin with a meeting on Thursday, Oct. 4 at noon in Room 338 of Bienvenu Hall.

During October, which is Breast Cancer Awareness Month, faculty and staff at NSU will use an e-mail campaign to provide personalized messages about breast cancer detection to friends and family.

University hosts guest lecturer

Courtesy of the News Bureau

Dr. Abderazak Benyahia, secretary general of the Islamic Association of Greater Shreveport, will present a talk "The Real Truth About Islam" at Northwestern State University on Tuesday. The lecture will be at 7 p.m. in the Ora G. Williams Studio in room 142 of Kyser Hall.

The presentation is sponsored by the Forum Council of the Louisiana Scholars' College. Admission is free and open to the public. Benyahia's said he will attempt to correct many misconceptions of Islam held by Americans as a result of the Sept. 11 terrorist acts. Those acts have been linked to followers of Islam.

University honors five alumni

Courtesy of the News Bureau

Five Northwestern State alumni will be honored for their dedication to the university and their contributions to their communities with induction into the NSU Hall of Distinction, the Long Purple Line. Dr. Allen R. "Buddy" Bonnette of Natchitoches, Ed Bradley of Shreveport, Fred Y. Clark of Natchitoches, U.S. District Judge Rebecca F. Doherty of Lafayette and Jimmy Patterson of Bossier City will be inducted into the Long Purple Line during NSU's Homecoming Oct. 19-20.

SGA passes bill to open teacher evaluations to public

By Kaleb Breaux
Managing Editor

The Student Government Association passed a bill Monday that will make student evaluations of teachers public.

The bill will be brought before the faculty senate. The faculty senate and the SGA will have to meet to discuss the issue.

Jessica Cramer, an SGA senator at large, drew up the bill.

"The purpose of the resolution is to make the evaluations public so that students can see what professors they want to take for upcoming semesters," Cramer said. "It has to pass through the faculty senate first."

Cramer said the meeting with the faculty senate is scheduled for Oct. 16. However, Frances Pearson, president of the faculty senate, said the SGA has not sent a copy of the bill to the faculty senate.

"It (the bill) is only an SGA document at this time," Pearson said. "All we (the faculty senate) know is that someone mentioned that the SGA has a bill."

The faculty senate requested a copy of the bill so that it could be read before the next senate meeting. The bill has not been placed on the faculty senate's agenda as of yesterday.

> ***"With the current document, I am not comfortable with it."***
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> **Joseph Colavito**
> **Language and Communications department head**
> **About implementation of evaluations on public record.**

The bill has provoked discussion among professors and students. Tenille Fogel, a junior physical education major, feels public access to evaluations is a good idea if used correctly.

"It will make trying to get a professor who is enjoyable to be in class with easier," Fogel said. "However, that's not what the evaluations are for."

University professors have mixed emotions about the bill. Joseph Colavito, head of the language and communications department, thinks the evaluations can be helpful but must be revised before they will be useful.

"With the current document, I am not comfortable with it," Colavito said. "I have a problem with the narrative portion of the evaluation. There are changes that need to be made to the current document before they are publicly displayed."

Colavito also offered a solution to the glitches within the bill.

"If the decision to make the evaluations public was left up to the individual professors instead of a mandate, you would have a solution to the problem," Colavito said.

Northwestern State is not the first university to have their teacher evaluations put on public files. Such bills have been implemented at University of Arizona and Tulane University.

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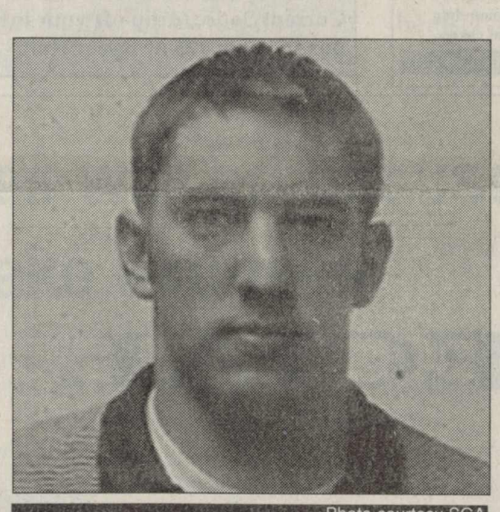


Photo courtesy SGA
Matt Courville, Mr. NSU



Photo courtesy SGA
Molly Beach, Ms. NSU

Courville and Beach named Mr. and Miss NSU

By Elona Boggs
Life Editor

Spend a little time with Matt Courville and Molly Beach and you'll feel like you're chatting with two good friends instead of Mr. and Miss NSU.

Both are seniors and are surprised to receive such an honor.

"I was really surprised, I am just honored to be nominated. Organizations that I am not even involved in nominated me," Courville said. "I've had people just walk up to me that I've never really talked to and say, 'I voted on you.'"

Beach, who was also voted Homecoming Queen, said her reaction was of disbelief.

"I never thought I would be Homecoming Queen or Miss NSU, and never would expected to be both in one year," she said. "I feel it is the biggest honor you can get for a student body to vote you Homecoming Queen and Miss NSU in back-to-back weeks."

Beach is from Lafayette, La. She is a graduate of Comeaux High School and came to NSU to play softball.

"I decided after a year, I didn't want to do it anymore. I just wanted to get involved with other activities on campus," she said.

Beach did just that and has been involved with Tri-Sigma sorority, the Student Activities Board, Pan-Hellenic and Order of Omega.

She thinks these activities have shaped her into the person she wants to be.

"I've learned the most from activities. They have given me the best understanding of what I will be doing in the real world," she said.

Beach wants to be an event planner after graduating in spring of 2002. She said whatever she does, she would remember her times at NSU.

"I love Northwestern. Everyone here is so friendly," she said. "I also like the community. Everyone has made me feel real at home."

Courville also feels at home at NSU.

"I came to NSU because of the atmosphere, and I had gotten some scholarships," he said. "It fit, and I knew other people who came here who had good things to say about the school."

Courville, a business major, came to NSU from Basile, La. He got involved in various activities as a freshman. He joined Kappa Sigma fraternity, was a Freshman Connector and eventually served on the Student Activities Board.

He said being Mr. NSU is an honor but a duty as well.

"You have to be definitely outgoing and easy to talk to," he said. "You have to make smart decisions and be an example for others."

He said his family is most proud of his accomplishment.

"My dad is real, real proud. He works off shore and I don't get to see him that much, but he's happy," he said.

Courville wants to eventually practice marketing in Dallas or Baton Rouge.

"I feel like I have the world in front of me," he said.

Watson Library security system blamed for disk corruption

By Rob Morgan
Sauce Reporter

The Student Government Association passed a bill Monday that will require Watson Library to post warning signs in the entrance informing students of the risk to diskettes when passing through the anti-theft security system.

Jeremy Henriques was the SGA member who proposed the bill.

"It was just something I thought of because of two girls' disks being erased in the Watson lab," Henriques said. "They were crying and all upset...I wouldn't want that to happen to anybody."

Fleming Thomas, the assistant professor in the library, classified the claims of diskettes being erased by the 3M security sensors as a "dog ate my homework" scenario.

"These sensors are used to set off an alarm when books that have not been checked out pass the sensors," Thomas said.

"We were guaranteed by 3M these sensors would not erase any tapes or discs," Thomas said.

This guarantee aside, Henriques nonetheless brought his concerns up with 3M and diskette manufacturers Imation and Iomega.

"I contacted the sales representatives of all three companies and they validated that electromagnetic waves could conflict with some disk," Thomas said.

"If students have a problem with their disk they can come and talk to us and we will work on it," Thomas said.

"We immediately checked this claim with our own tests and at the moment we are in a bit of a quandary," Thomas said. "Our disc remained unchanged."

The bill called for not only signs to be posted but also for the library "to provide a means of transporting diskettes ...from one side to the other in a safe manor."

Instead of signs and a special transportation for discs, Thomas "would rather have people from 3M make sure the frequency of the waves could be adjusted properly."



Photo by Kaleb Breaux
The Watson Library anti-theft security system has been blamed for the corruption of diskettes. The accusation comes after University students complained to the SGA about the problem.

Blood drive benefited injured University student

By Rob Morgan
Sauce Reporter

The blood drive held for Ross Kaplan yielded 34 units of blood, and a total of $300 has been donated to the Ross Kaplan Love Fund at City Bank.

"120 people showed up for the blood drive," Lt. Col. Chandler said, "due to the flux in donations for the World Trade Center and the Pentagon the Life Share Blood Center is maxed out on holding space for donations, so they could only take 34 units due to the limited shelf life."

"People can still give for Kaplan at any blood drive in town or any blood center up until Dec. 27, as long as they say it is for Kaplan," Lt. Col. Chandler said.

Each unit received will count as $12 toward Kaplan's existing bill for blood already given. This blood drive raised $440 toward his bill of $1,232.

"If everyone would have been allowed to give the bill would have been taken care of," Lt. Col. Chandler said.

Kaplan, who was released from the hospital on Sept. 16,, credits the safety devices in his car for saving his life in the accident.

"If the seat belt or airbag had not been in the car I would have been killed," Kaplan said.

Kaplan and his family also wanted to express their gratitude toward all the support shown to them during this time.

"We want to put a public thank you out to everyone who helped us by donating blood or money, prayed for us, or called." Kaplan said.

Lack of hours cause students to lose TOPS

By Windy S. La'Borde
Sauce Reporter

Many students have become ineligible for TOPS because they lack the necessary hours and grades.

"They are not committing themselves to a minimum load of 24 hours in an academic year or 12 hours per semester," Jack Guinn, chief of the state's student financial aid office, said in *The Baton Rouge Advocate* online.

10,502 students lost their scholarship last academic year because of this.

Grades have also been a factor in students keeping their TOPS scholarships.

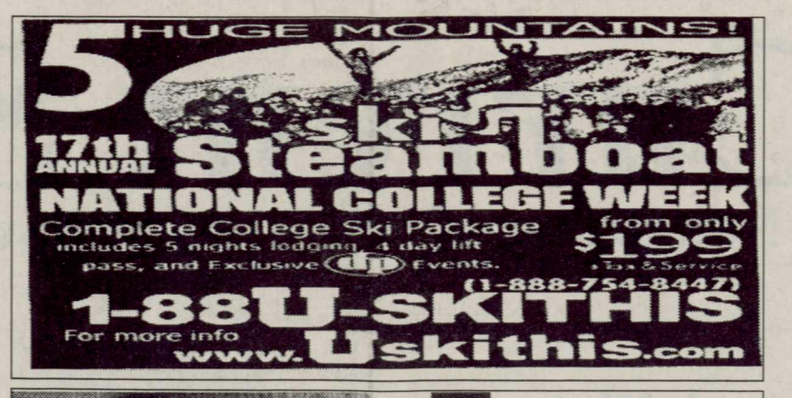
Students must maintain a 2.5 grade point average in a 12-hour, full time, course load.

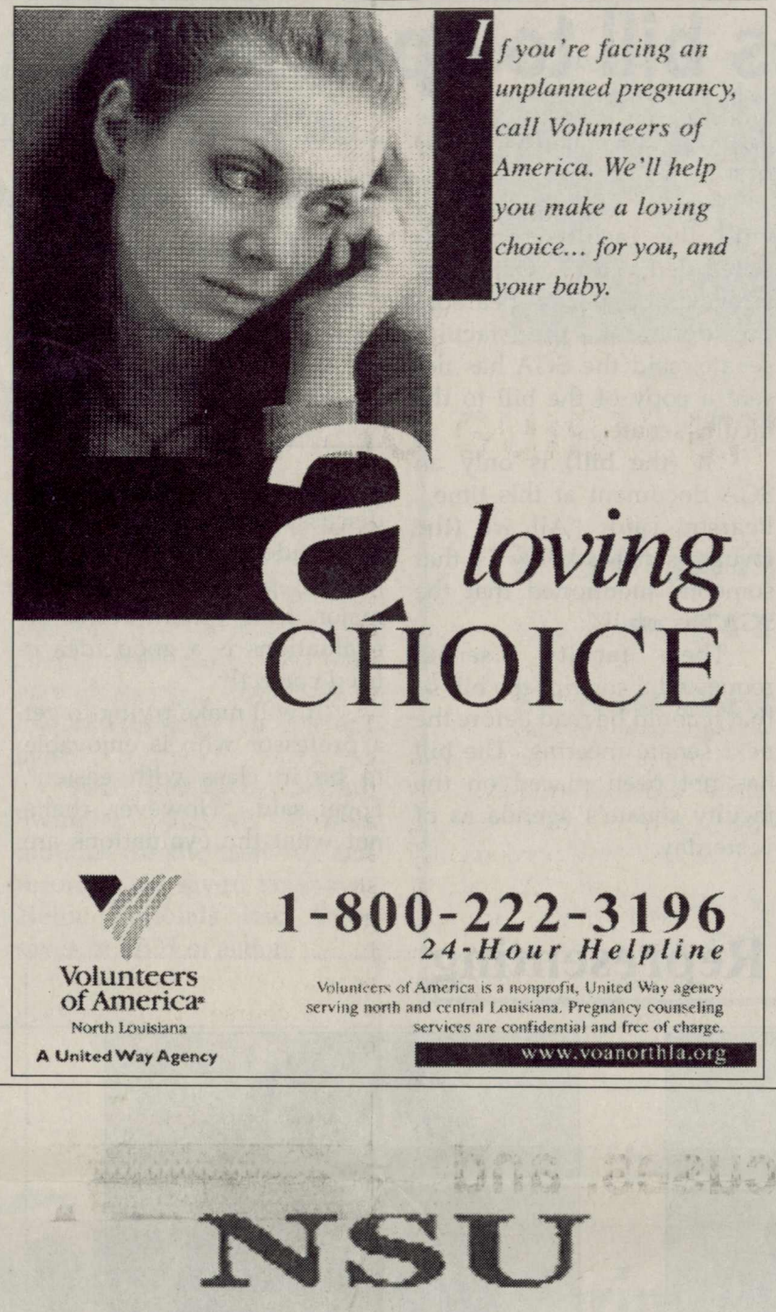
"If they don't reinstate within a year after they were suspended, the likelihood is very high they will not," Guinn said.

3,810 students lost the scholarship last year for this reason. They have two years to requalify.

Legislation has attempted decisive actions such as making students repay previous tuition paid to them or turning tuition payments into a loan until such time that a student should requalify. Neither of these was adopted.

The University is taking its own decisive action in educating students in various workshops on how to keep or regain their scholarship.





Campus Connections

ARGUS
The new editions of *Argus*, the NSU literary and art magazine, are ready and can be picked up for free in room 335 of Kyser hall.

DISNEY
Disney is giving a presentation about paid internships November 15 at 5 p.m. in Russel Hall Room 107. All majors and college levels are eligible.

NSU CLUB SOCCER
NSU Club Soccer invites anyone who is interested in playing club soccer to their practices which are held behind Watson library at 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday and Sunday.

SPANISH CLUB
The Spanish Club would like to invite potential members to its weekly meetings, every Wednesday at 3 p.m. in room 331 of Kyser Hall.

CATHOLIC STUDENT ORGANIZATION
The CSO will be having weekly Bible studies every Tuesday at 8 p.m. at the center. Everyone is welcome. There will also be a praise and worship service Wednesday. For any information call Amy Dowden at 352-2615 or email to amyburson@hotmail.com.

BAPTIST COLLEGIATE MINISTRY
The BCM will have Wednesday night worship at the BCM, across the street from Watson Library, every Wednesday night. The worship begins at 8:31 p.m. All students are welcome to attend. For more information call the BCM at 352-5464.

CIRCLE K INTERNATIONAL
Circle K International invites you its meetings every Tuesday night at 8:30 p.m. in room 320 of the Student Union. For more information call Jessica at 357-5974.

PHI BETA LAMBDA
Phi Beta Lambda (PBL) is having its informational meeting Wednesday at noon in room 213 of Russell Hall. Anyone interested in attending the meeting is welcome.

LADY OF THE BRACELET
Any female interested in being a participant in the 2002 Miss Lady of the Bracelet pageant should go by room 214 of the Student Union to pick up a scholarship application. There will be an informational meeting Wednesday in the President's Room of the Student Union.

ON CAMPUS INTERVIEWS
The following companies will conduct on campus interviews for junior or senior business, marketing or management majors in October: Sherwin Williams - Oct. 17 from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. in room 305 of the Student Union. Interested students in an interview should come with a resume and transcript.

***To see your Campus Connections in next week's edition of The Current Sauce, drop off your information in the Campus Connection box in room 225 of Kyser Hall.**

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Reader thinks SGA bill raises First Amendment concerns

It has come to my attention that the Student Government Association is attempting to pass legislation that would widely expand its powers over the finances of organizations on campus.

The bill states that on the grounds of "organizations in the past [having] misused, and/or [having] not performed the duties expected of them in a professional manner, " the SGA will be given the power to place a hold on an organization's budget that collects student assessed fees until further notice."

Rumors have arisen that this bill has been written for the expressed purpose of attacking *The Current Sauce*.

The very idea that any member of the student government would entertain the thought of limiting the power of the press and therefore stifling the voice of the student body which they themselves claim to represent is an insult not only to the liberties of the NSU student, but also to the American dream itself.

The "misuse of funds" mentioned in the bill apparently pertains to the quality or content of the articles published by our paper.

Therefore, should this bill be passed, the SGA would have the power to freeze the paper's funds if they

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Reader questions news value of Rapides Hall story

The news value of your fecal report, in my opinion was zero. Not only was the article itself unnecessary, but so were the two opinion columns of Rondray Hill and Kaleb Breaux.

Rondray was trying to defend an article that he apparently knew others would find amusing, but not news worthy. His argument over the worthiness being that people would like to know if someone was using their shower as a toilet.

Well, yes I would. But I don't live in Rapides and neither do over half of the student body.

The only people whose showers were affected, at the moment, are Rapides.

Something tells me that they know this information without you, unless the University is truly holding back the "valuable information," as Kaleb puts it, of feces sightings in dorm showers.

The campus as a whole is more affected by the usage of cellular phones in the class rooms, page 2, than it is with feces in Rapides.

As for Kaleb Breaux, what "valuable information" is being held back about why visiting privileges were temporarily revoked.

I'm going to make a wild guess and say strategy, as is the threat of visiting privileges being permanently revoked and the $25 fine for all residents if the incidents do not stop. It makes everyone in Rapides police themselves.

Now all of a sudden, Joe Shmoe who didn't want to get involved even though he saw something, or doesn't care enough to report it, becomes involved with what happens at his dorm.

The students at Rapides are going to have to police themselves, because the only alternative is to install security cameras into the showers or hire security guards whose sole purpose is to watch the bathrooms, both of which is ridiculous.

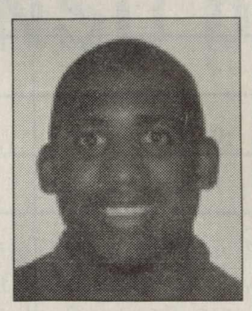
Of course I could be way off on all this. Everyone on campus may have been greatly affected by the fecal story and demand that the true hard hitting facts of this incident be released by the University.

If that is the case I will take up the battle cry and march down the streets with my campus brothers and sisters "Give me feces or give me death."

Oliver Kaine
Sophomore, Social Science Major

Editor's Take

Editor declares war on excuses, and those who make excuses



Rondray Hill
Editor's Take

It's time for me to declare war on something else.

Earlier in the year, it was stupid people.

Today, it's excuses.

So, today, I declare war on excuses.

I finally know how teachers, parents, priests, and anyone who has ever tried to organize anything, feel. Excuses seem to come from everywhere.

And people seem to have an endless supply of them.

So my administration is 100 percent committed to ridding the world of excuse makers.

I've simply grown tired of them. I have heard enough of them. And it's time that we, as college students, stop fooling ourselves into thinking that these excuses actually work.

I know that everyone reading this column knows someone who makes excuses.

And if you don't know one, chances are you are that excuse maker.

You know the type. This person walks into class with the same tired act. "I know I was supposed to be here at 11, but my alarm clock didn't go off."

Or maybe it goes like this. "You know, I just don't have the time to work on that assignment. Can you cover for me."

Or how about this classic. "My teacher acts like they're they only class I've got."

The excuse-makers are everywhere. And the sad part is they think the real world will be easier than how this college experiment.

I'll give you the truth. Excuses don't bode well in the real world.

Once you graduate, people are not going to have the time to hear you tell them "I don't have time." To me, there's nothing worse tan hearing a person tell me what they can not do.

Which is why I have decided to take up this fight.

It's a fight I did not start, but it's one that I will end.

Make no mistake, I will go after the excuse makers and those who harbor excuse makers.

No one is safe.

People who plan on doing something with their lives know that it makes no sense to come up wit lame excuses. Just do the work.

Figure out a way to balance your life, school, job, whatever, and get it done.

Don't work on some excuse that will not work.

I've simply gotten fed up up with excuses, and it's time for them to stop.

I'm asking the intelligent student body of NSU to make a decision--you're either with us, your with them.

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Speeding cars upset reader

Dear Editor:

I would just like to ask if you could run an article about being kind to pedestrians.

I know that it might not make a big enough difference but if one person begins giving pedestrians the right of way then it would be worth it.

Cars speed by, almost running over you, not to mention when it has rained or is raining they drench you in water, and they really can get to there class on time if they stop to let one or two people cross.

Wouldn't you want someone to stop for you?

Leslie Ross

Drivers speed, ignore pedestrians

Kristen Dauzat
Opinions Editor

I would like to restate the idea that pedestrians have the right of way.

It only takes a few seconds to slow down to let a few people pass over the crosswalk.

Drivers have been zooming around campus, ignoring crossing students and then almost pancaking them.

And also, let's try not to soak our fellow schoolmates.

Rainy days are already hectic enough; being completely soaked will just add to the frustration. I'm tired of dodging cars that go over the speed limit.

I fear that one day someone will be hit by one of these maniac cars.

I am asking drivers to be more cautious and to allow pedestrians to cross over their crosswalk. And pedestrians, if you're not crossing over the crosswalk, the cars have every right to keep going and run you over.

Have you had an experience where you have almost gotten run over?

The Current Sauce wants to know. E-mail letters to: **Sauceopinions1@hotmail.com**

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Sauce writer defends news value of Rapides Hall story

Garrett Guillotte
Sauce Reporter

The news value of the fecal report, in my admittedly biased opinion as one of the story's writers, is more than Mr. Kaine believes. The newsworthiness of one of the campus' largest residence halls losing visitation privileges was more than important enough for the front page.

Granted, it's not my decision as a writer to make. It wasn't my decision to run the photograph of the shower. The headline wasn't even mine – Rondray, appointed by your student-elected government, handled all those responsibilities.

But I defend the value of this story because it was about senseless acts known to occur every year by a few individuals that could affect the life of every resident in every dorm, and what has or hasn't been done to stop these acts.

If that's not important enough for the front page of a campus newspaper, I don't know what is.

Losing visitation doesn't just affect Rapides Hall. Everyone with friends, family, and lovers living in Rapides lost the privilege of visiting them. And members of lower administration – students and faculty working as Area Coordinators and Residential Assistants, Director of Housing Woody Blair, and other people whose salaries we students pay with our money – refused to comment about it, giving way to false rumors that spread across and out of the campus.

Rondray believed people needed truthful, honest information to prevent these rumors from being assumed as truth outside of NSU.

I thank Frances Conine for speaking, and I respect Woody Blair for refusing to speak. The First Amendment does not require people to speak on command, and a story about feces in shower stalls is far too tempting for the media to sensationalize. Nobody wants to be attached to such a problem, especially if they fear they won't be attached to the problem's solution.

The story on Rapides was more important than the cell phone story because cell phones are, by most teachers' standards, banned from use in class. It wasn't so much news as it was the institutionalization of common sense among the faculty -- adding teeth to basic tenants of classroom order. More students may have been affected by the cell phone story, but Rondray decided that there was a larger impact on the campus by the visitation story, its background and consequences.

As for Kaleb's opinion of the administration, I think more of the administration would have spoken if more of them had been asked to speak. I openly accept the blame and responsibility for that mistake but also recognize that refusing to speak usually looks worse than anything anyone could have said.

Reporters and editors for the Sauce are paid with your money as well, even if I personally write without pay, and we as readers – yes, myself included – expect the best quality newspaper in return. But demanding the truth is a journalist's daily job, and it wouldn't hurt to have some of the public demanding the truth as well. Maybe they'll hit the streets with their campus brothers and sisters and say, "Give me the truth, or give me my money back."

SGA bill

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published anything the SGA disagreed with.

As a result, *The Current Sauce* would most likely be less inclined to publish stories or editorials that portrayed the SGA in a negative light. This is known as government censorship of the press and is strictly prohibited by the American Constitution. It does not matter whether or not the SGA actively exorcised an interest in what was published in our paper. Just so long as the threat of retribution still exists, the freedom and credibility of our press will be undermined.

Some claim that this bill is meant to improve the quality of our paper. They say that the caliber of the articles published does not merit the use of student money. By taking the money away, they claim the paper will somehow become better. Not only does this method seem ridiculous, it is also unnecessary.

The SGA already has a means they can use to ensure the quality of *The Current Sauce*.

Every year, the SGA appoints the editor in chief of our paper. Furthermore, if they feel the editor is not doing their job, they can be replaced. This method ensures that the press will remain an independent entity while still allowing the SGA to keep funds from being wasted.

This is much like the individual student's voice in the SGA. In this way we allow them to be independent enough to do their jobs while still maintaining a means to reign in their power if it is misused. This is how democratic republics are run.

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In Perspective

Student is called to duty

Student leaves school to serve in the United States Coast Guard

by Dominique Irvin
Sauce Reporter

Cassie Reeves' freshman year didn't start like she planned.

Reeves was in school at NSU for less than a month when she got the call that changed her life. On September 16, five days after the attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon, she was called to active duty in the United States Coast Guard.

"I was expecting it," Reeves said. "When it happened, the first thing I did was turn on my phone so I could hear it."

Reeves received the call Sunday at 11 a.m., and had 20 hours to report in by 7 a.m. on Monday. After the call, Reeves resigned from school and reported to the Marine Safety Office in New Orleans.

When Reeves' friends heard of her call to duty, she said they thought she was joking.

"They couldn't believe I got called out," she said. "But they felt better when I told them it was here (in New Orleans)."

Jessica Cormier, Reeves' Resident Advisor in Sabine dormitory, was shocked when Reeves told her the news.

"She told me she was going home for the weekend, then she called that Monday and said she was staying," Cormier said. "We're going to miss her."

For Reeves, being stationed in New Orleans is a relief. She is close to her home in Metarie, La., and is able to see her family often.

"I didn't know if I was going to say here or if they were going say go to Timbuktu," Reeves said. "Right now I'm just trying to get my job done."

She said she hopes that further military deployments will not be needed.

"I want the situation to stay where it is. I don't want it to go further," she said.

Reeves isn't sure if she will stay in New Orleans permanently. For now, she is working 12-hour days in Airport Security, but could not provide further information about her duties.

Reeves tries to rest and spend time with her family and friends in her spare time. She said her family is worried about her future, but are proud of her commitment to her country.

"I'm not going say they're happy about it...you don't know how you're going feel until it happens to you," she said.

She joined the Coast Guard about a year ago. She wanted to get military experience to aid in a career in law enforcement in the future. She signed up with the Coast Guard for six years and holds the rank of a petty officer third class.

Reeves wants to return to school as soon as possible, but fears being called to active duty will hinder that.

"It's not a safe job, but I knew what I was getting into when I signed those papers," she said. "I didn't think anything like this would happen in my six years."



Photo courtesy KRT Campus

The country is seeing a renewed sense of patriotism after the Sept. 11 attacks. The movement is being called "The New Patriotism." To many, the Y generation's feelings of national pride comes as a surprise.

"It's not a safe job, but I knew what I was getting into when I signed those papers."

- Cassie Reeves

Language Resource Center open to students

by Jennifer Bocanegra
Sauce Reporter

The Department of Language and Communication now has a Foreign Language Resource Center.

The Center, which was set up with a grant from the Louisiana Board of Regents Support Fund, is equipped with very modern audio and viewing systems as well as computers and is stocked with audio and video tapes, computer programs, books and magazines in Spanish, German and French.

The center, used for classes and individual work, offers free tutoring to students and serves as a meeting point between both native speakers and students. There are now four tutors in the three languages offered. The center is located at 313 Kyser Hall and is open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. everyday.

According to Comfort Pratt-Panford, professor of spanish and director of the center, this is only the beginning of the project. There are fifteen student workstations with recorders, a workstation for the disabled, an instructor's workstation equipped with a computer and a printer, four student computers, a VCR, a television set, and two tape copiers.

By the end of the project, Pratt-Panford hopes there will be 26 workstations equipped with recorders and computers. There will also be an instructor's workstation equipped with a computer, a printer, a central control panel for the recorders, a scanner and a larger selection of software.

Final NSU production of *Major Barbara* today

by Britton Faucon
Sauce Reporter

The NSU Theatre Department will end its production of *Major Barbara* today.

The play, written by George Bernard Shaw, presents the struggle between good and evil. It demonstrates that poverty distracts man from doing good in the world, concluding that the only way to achieve a "good life" is to apply a combination of spiritual, intellectual and material power.

Jack Wann, the play's director, said that such powers could be held by anyone.

"There is power to be had in the world. Why shouldn't the good people avail to this power?" he asked.

In each of *Major Barbara's* characters, a different viewpoint of these powers is expressed. The play never reveals the identity of character when discussing those views, however.

Mike Batusic, who plays the character of Charles Lomax, said every character has a reason for their viewpoint.

"Charlie portrays the viewpoint of the common person. He helps us realize that we just can't go around cutting people because of their opinion," Batusic said.

The cast of Major Barbara feels the play's message is a timely one. They think it can be applied to the events of Sept. 11.

"Theater is relevant. Good theater will stand the test of relevance," Wann said.

Freshman Hunter Jenks thought the play reflected the realities of society.

"It shows students that despite what society says is the norm, you are who you need to be. Follow the viewpoint that you believe promotes the most good," he said.



Photo by Racheal Kidd/Current Sauce

The NSU Theatre Department will perform its final production of *Major Barbara* today. The play is about the struggle of powers and the difference of opinions.

Benyahia to speak about Islam

Abderazak Benyahia, Secretary General of the Islamic Association of Greater Shreveport, will present a talk entitled "The Real Truth About Islam" on Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the television studio on the first floor of Kyser Hall.

Sponsored by the Forum Council of the Louisiana Scholars' College, Benyahia's presentation will attempt to correct many misconceptions of Islam held by Americans as a result of the terrorist acts of Sept. 11 that have been linked to Islam.

Benyahia is a former Algerian diplomat and has traveled overseas as a lecturer and negotiator. He was the imam at Mosque Noor in Shreveport until 1995.

Following Benyahia's presentation, there will be a question and answer session. For more information, contact Fraser Snowden at 357-5465.

That go-go decade of the '90s is back once again

by Stephen Lynch
The Orange County Register

They were the bygone days of, oh, two years ago. Remember when? Vaguely, I'm sure. But if you concentrate, you may conjure images of that olden decade: the `90s.

Between Kurt Cobain on the cover of Spin magazine and `90s weekends on local radio stations, the days of grunge and the Gap are enjoying a comeback. And Britney Spears performed on last month's MTV Video Music Awards. You remember Britney, don't you? Sure you do.

Just enough time has passed since Bill Clinton (remember him?) left office, and those oh-so `00 bands like Linkin Park and Staind swept away `90s artists like, let's see, the Backstreet Boys, Faith Hill and the Foo Fighters. Even Puff Daddy was upstaged by some guy named P. Diddy.

It's time to look back and give that decade a handy label, a fashion look and a 10-disc retrospective. Break out the flannel, put "Nevermind" on the stereo, think about what the definition of "is" is, and go retro.

TELEVISION

Who did kill Laura Palmer? We think it was the dwarf. But since "Twin Peaks" is now out on videotape, you can see for yourself. Weren't the `90s great for TV? Back when "Friends" was funny, "ER" was interesting, "The X-Files" was scary and "The Simpsons" was still the best show on the air. When Christina Applegate was a sexpot, and the only reality series was "The Real World."

Cable television got really good then, too. We got food channels and cartoon channels and comedy channels. And did you download "The Spirit of Christmas" off the Internet before you saw "South Park"?

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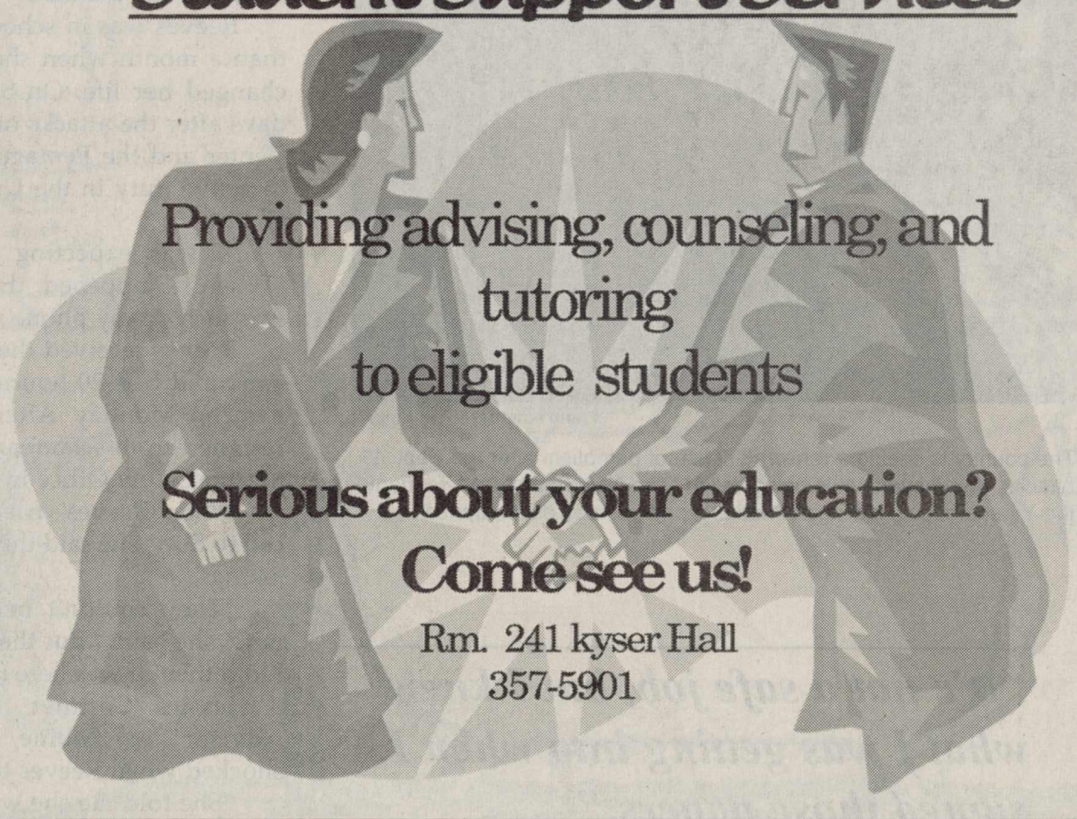
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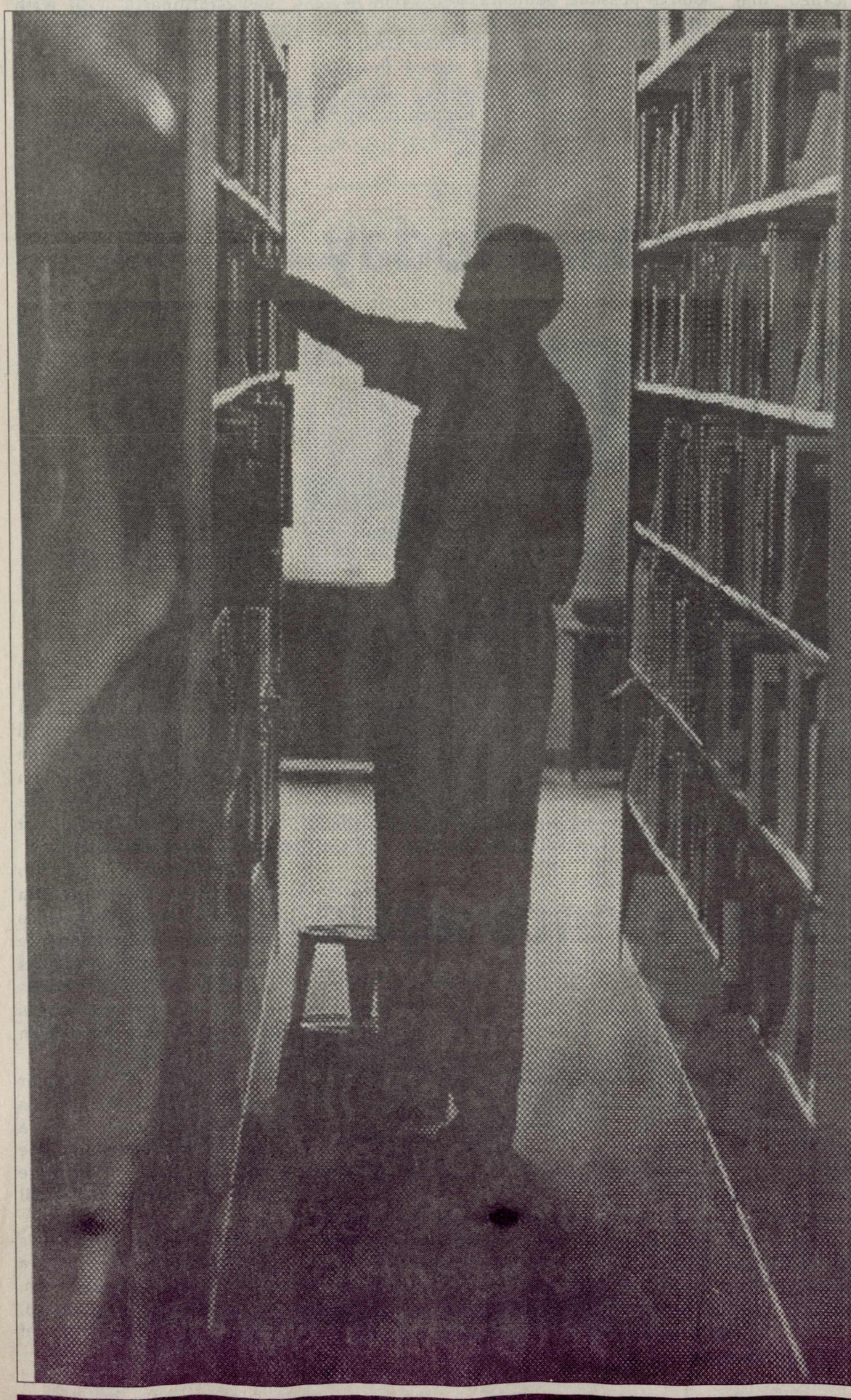
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Murgor, Chelimo finish 1-2, Lady Demons second at NSU Invitational

By **Mindy Mixon**
Sauce reporter

Noah Murgor and Jonah Chelimo dominated the men's 8,000 meter race last Monday, finishing 1-2 in the NSU Invitational.

For the Lady Demon's top finisher Lacey Fletcher and teammate Christy Stark scored second place in team standings, helping them to a second place overall team finish.

Former freshman of the Year, Murgor, finished in 26:30 with Chelimo five seconds behind. Together, they rallied the Demon's on to a third place finish, behind Louisiana-Lafayette and Louisiana-Monroe.

Fourth place was Lamar University, trailed by Southern, Grambling and East Texas Baptist.

Louisiana-Monroe females stole the show, taking four first places and scoring a near-perfect twenty points. Next in line was Northwestern who posted eight-four points, who squeaked by Louisiana-Tech with eighty-five. Lamar, Southern, Grambling, East Texas Baptist and Louisiana College brought up the rear.

Composed primarily of freshmen and sophomores, the Northwestern team suffered some injuries.

"Our men and women competed hard," said Leon Johnson, Head coach of track team. "But we were not at full strength."

Freshmen Linzie Ledford has not been able to compete for the last three meets and Jeri Harris illness has hindered his performance. "Once we get our team back healthy, it will add to our team finishes," predicted Johnson.

The Texas A&M Invitational is October 13 in College Station. "It's really big, most of the conference will be there," said Johnson.

Currently, there is no set rating system for the conference for lack of meets and they go by performances-this next meet will allow teams to better understand their ranking.

"We're getting there – we become more prepared with each meet. By the time Texas A&M meet gets here, we'll be ready," said Johnson.



Photo by Gary Hardamon

Noah Murgor and Jonah Chelimo would lead the pack the entire way at Monday's NSU Invitational. Murgor and Chelimo finished 1-2 in the race and the Demo team finished third.

Soccer beats SFA; on to face Southwest Texas

By **Cooda Dobin**
Sauce reporter

The Demons faced rival Stephen F. Austin University and came away with their second consecutive win, 4-0.

With the win, NSU head coach Jimmy Mitchell received his 101st career win.

"I was fortunate to have good players play for me, said Mitchell. "But I do also remember the 76 loses maybe more than the wins." "It also means you have been coaching for awhile to have won that many."

NSU played without ALL-SLC sophomore Jacquai Lawrence, who suffered a sprained knee.

But senior ALL-SLC goalkeeper Tiffany Swingler stepped up and recorded her second consecutive shutout, 20th in her college career on six saves.

The scoring came from sophomore forward Hillaire Marshall, scoring twice in the first 20 minutes. Marshall lifted her team-leading goals total to five, already halfway to her freshman-year total of 10.

Freshman forward Erin Haymon and sophomore forward Jennifer Robbins each scored also to record their first collegiate goal to cushion the lead.

NSU is now .500 for the first time this season in the SLC. The Demons are 4-3-1 overall and 2-2-1 in conference action.

NSU head coach Jimmy Mitchell received his 101st career win.

Before then, the Demons defeated Nicholls State University 1-0.

Senior goalkeeper Tiffany Swingler clinched her 19th career shutout, adding to her school record in which she also added four saves.

The goal was netted by sophomore forward Hillarie Marshall assisted by freshmen forward Danielle Thomas in the first half at the 23:28 mark.

The Next stop for the Demons will be to travel to play at Southwest Texas University on Sunday.

Conference Call

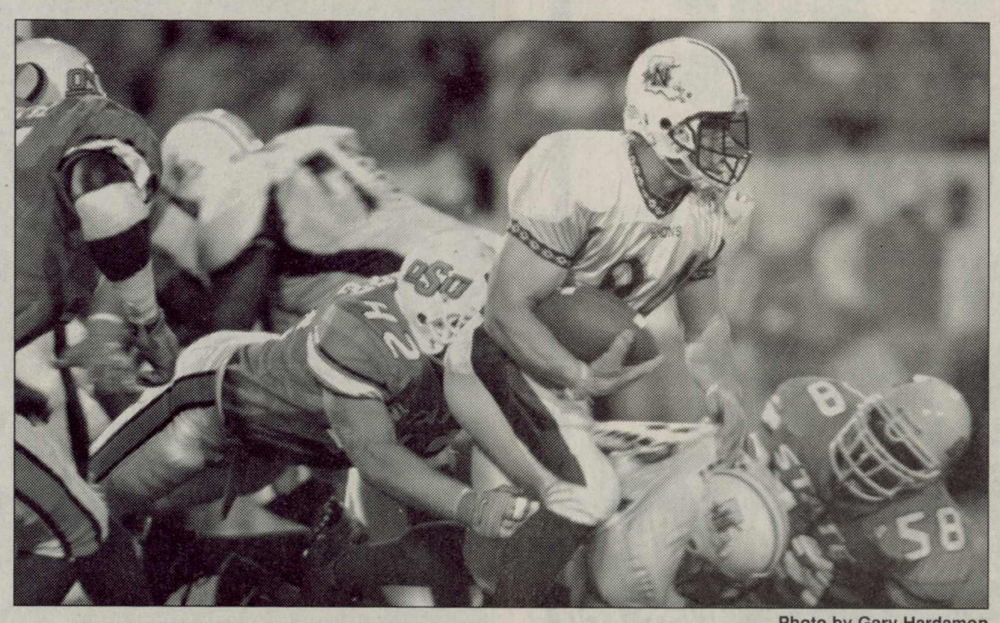


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Demon tailback Troy Sumrall is seen here dragging about three Oklahoma State players during last week's game. The Demons will need this same output Saturday as conference play begins.

Game Time

Demons kick off conference play at Sam Houston Saturday

By Rondray Hill
Editor

The Demon football team will take its 3-1 record into the part of the season that counts the most.

Conference time.

The Demons kick off their conference season with a formidable test, No. 25 Sam Houston State.

"Sam Houston is a lot like us," said Head Coach Steve Roberts. " Their receivers match up well with our defense. I don't think they've played the same caliber of competition we have, but there won't be a drop-off in the level of talent.

The Demons will try to both buck history and continue it. The Demons are 11-3 in Southland Conference opening games since joining the conference.

That's good.

But the Demons have also lost the last two games against the Bearkats, including a loss last year at home.

That's bad.

The Demons will have to figure out a way to stop a Bearkat team that blocked four kicks in last week's 68-13 win over Mississippi Valley State.

"We do some things in our special teams and punt snapping than hopefully will keep us fine," Roberts said.

"If we get good snaps on punts, then we'll be fine.

The "road warrior" Demon team are in the middle of a four-game road trip.The Demons are 7-4 at Huntsville, Texas.

"We are a very comfortable team on the road," Roberts said.

"We've already got a couple of big road wins at Southern and at TCU."

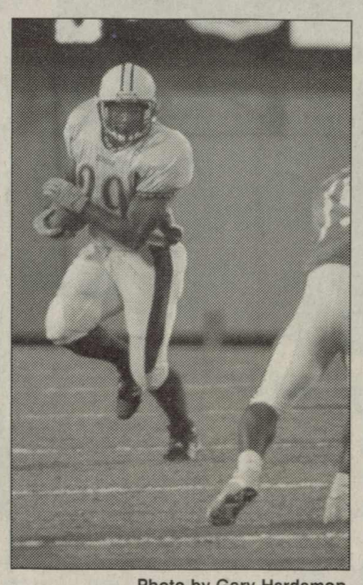


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Jeremy Lofton cuts to the outside in last week's game

Volleyball team continues struggles; goes on the road this weekend

By Cooda Dobin
Sauce Reporter

The Northwestern State volleyball team faced the University of Texas-Arlington on Monday night and were defeated , 3-0, for the fourth consecutive conference game.

Sophomore setter Cathy Herring led NSU in assists 25 assists and senior Amy Martens added 11 digs in the loss.

"Everybody's doing their best to get me the ball and to put my balls away," said Herring. "We got the physical part going but mentally we have to step it up more and the winning will follow."

UTA (5-9 overall, 1-4 SLC) led the match 30-21, 30-21 and 30-25 behind the play of Olaya Pazo with 14 kills.

The Demons also found themselves in a bind again losing a hard fought game to conference-leader Lamar University, 3-0.

NSU (3-10 overall, 1-5) SLC) continues to be led by junior Christina Stone. Stone recorded a team-high nine kills and 11 digs. Sophomore Aime Garcia and freshmen Keri Cottle had six kills each to help the Demons but it wasn't enough to defeat the Cardinals (12-2 overall, 6-0 SLC).

"Our girls are working hard," said head coach James Onikeku. "Its not our effort, it's mainly our inexperience that's what is now showing."

"We will take the same approach, but we will try and put the total package together," said Onikeku.

The Demons will travel to face Southwest Texas on Friday night and move to Texas-San Antonio Saturday afternoon.

Despite loss to OK State, Demons move up in I-AA polls

After a hard-fought defeat Saturday night at Oklahoma State, the Northwestern State Demons actually moved up a spot in one of the Division I-AA football Top 25 polls Monday -- and in one rating, the Demons moved into the No. 1 spot nationally.

In the Sagarin ratings index for Division I college football, NSU moved ahead of Georgia Southern as the country's top-ranked I-AA team. Overall among the 242 Division I teams, the Sagarin index ranks the Demons as No. 89, just one spot ahead of Georgia Southern. Trailing that duo are Division I-A teams such as Missouri, Pittsburgh, Tulane, Houston, Army, Navy, Hawaii and UTEP.

The Sagarin index is one of the factors used in compiling the Bowl Championship Series rankings that determine the pairings for the Division I national championship game. It is among a series of factors taken into consideration by the eight-member committee that issues the eight at-large invitations, and sets the seedings for the 16-team field, for the I-AA playoffs.

Also in the Sports Network's poll, McNeese (3-1) is up a spot to No. 4. Grambling (4-0) is up a place to No. 10. Southwest Texas (3-1) remained at No. 19 and Sam Houston State (3-1) returned to the poll at No. 25.

The Demons, who were scoreless with Oklahoma State until the final six minutes of the first half, slipped two places to No. 16 in the ESPN/USA Today coaches' poll. McNeese moved up to No. 4 there as well, with Grambling edging up to No. 10 nationally. Southwest Texas remained at No. 20 while Jacksonville State (3-0) went ahead two spots to No. 23.

Five of the seven Southland Football League members are ranked in one of the two I-AA Top 25 polls.

The Demons travel for the third straight week, going to open conference play Saturday night at 6 at Sam Houston State. The Bearkats have beaten the Demons for the past two seasons on the heels of a six-game NSU win streak in the series.

Sam Houston blasted Mississippi Valley 68-13 Saturday, blocking four kicks, scoring touchdowns on two blocked punts. Sophomore DeJuan Davis was named national special teams player of the week after blocking each of the punts that other Bearkat players recovered for TDs.

Sam Houston opened its season with a 20-9 win at Louisiana-Monroe, then blasted Division II Tarleton State 61-10 and lost 41-16 at Northern Illinois.



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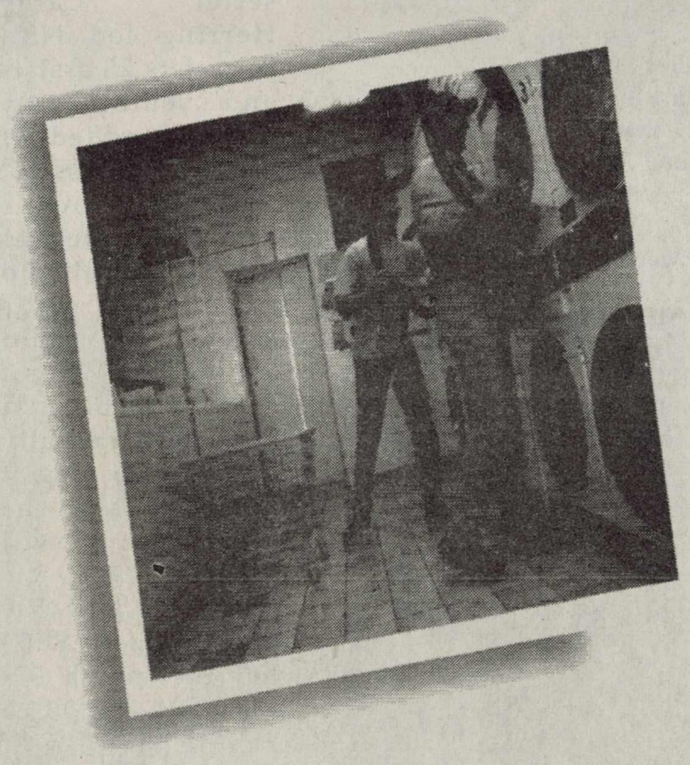
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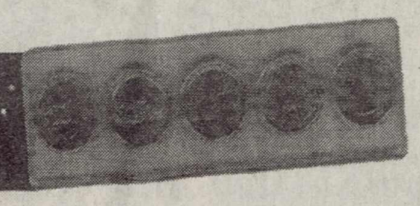
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Sports

Demon soccer tries to upset the LSU Tigers. See how they did.

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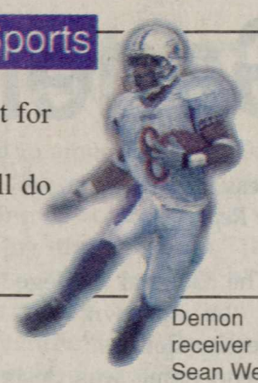
Demon defender
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Sports

How much will it cost for you to go to the Elon game this week? We'll do the math.

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Demon receiver
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Sauce Briefs

College of Business holds fourth annual breakfast and induction

Courtesy of the News Bureau

The College of Business at Northwestern State University will hold its Fourth Annual Homecoming Breakfast and Hall of Distinction Induction Ceremonies Saturday, October 20 at 8:30 a.m. in the Friedman Student Union Ballroom. Tickets are $5 and will be sold at the door. All alumni and friends of the College of Business are invited to attend.

Acting Associate Dean of Business Dr. Joel Worley will welcome the attendees and entertainment will be provided.

This year's inductees into the College of Business Hall of Distinction will be honored. Dr. Tommy G. Johnson, Carolyn Sheridan and the late Joseph W. Johnson will be placed in the Hall of Distinction this year.

Old women's gym to be dedicated

Courtesy of the News Bureau

The National Park Service's National Center for Preservation Technology and Training will formally dedicate its permanent home, Lee H. Nelson Hall, during two days of activities November 6-7.

NCPTT recently moved into its permanent home in the former Women's Gymnasium on the campus of Northwestern State University. After an extensive rehabilitation by the National Park Service, the facility was renamed for Lee H. Nelson, a pioneer in the field of historic preservation technology and a career NPS employee. Constructed in 1923 to provide gymnasium space for students of the Louisiana State Normal School, it is the oldest existing building on the NSU campus.

The Women's Gym was used by female students from the 1930's until it was closed in 1970. The building had classrooms, a dance studio and a second floor gymnasium with a jogging track.

Residence halls receive new security systems

By Mindy Mixon
Sauce Reporter

By the end of next week, new security systems will be installed in each of the seven residence halls on campus.

Card access to the dorms with alarms on every door will enable desk workers and security guards to monitor all entrances around the clock.

"We'll know if a door has been opened and if a door is propped open -- we'll know that too," Woody Blair, a housing official, said. "There is an indicator on the door to alert us if the door is open more than 15 - 20 seconds."

From the hours of 6 p.m. to 6 a.m., all doors except the main entrance are off limits.

This new system being implemented is a replacement of the old system, which was installed 10 to 12 years ago. The bid proposal for this project was written in December of 1998.

"We'll know if a door has been opened - and if a door is propped open, we'll know that too."

Woody Blair
University housing official

"Yeah, this has been a baby long in the making - it's good to see it almost here," Blair said.

The $135,000 project, funded by the Housing office, is necessary.

"We've had some people off the street whose whole intent was to find an open door and steal something," Blair said. "We need to keep that from happening."

Venders, desk workers and physical plant employees will also have to produce a card to access the building.

"It will make life easier and safer for students," Shelia Gentry, house director in Sabine, said. "Right now there is no system. Soon we will know every door that's open and it will inform the university police system as well as us at the same time."

Blair hopes to one day put into practice a one-card system that would contain all vending, library and food.

"It took us three years to get the security system, so, I don't know when the one-card system would happen," Blair said. "But not too much more has to be done to enforce this."

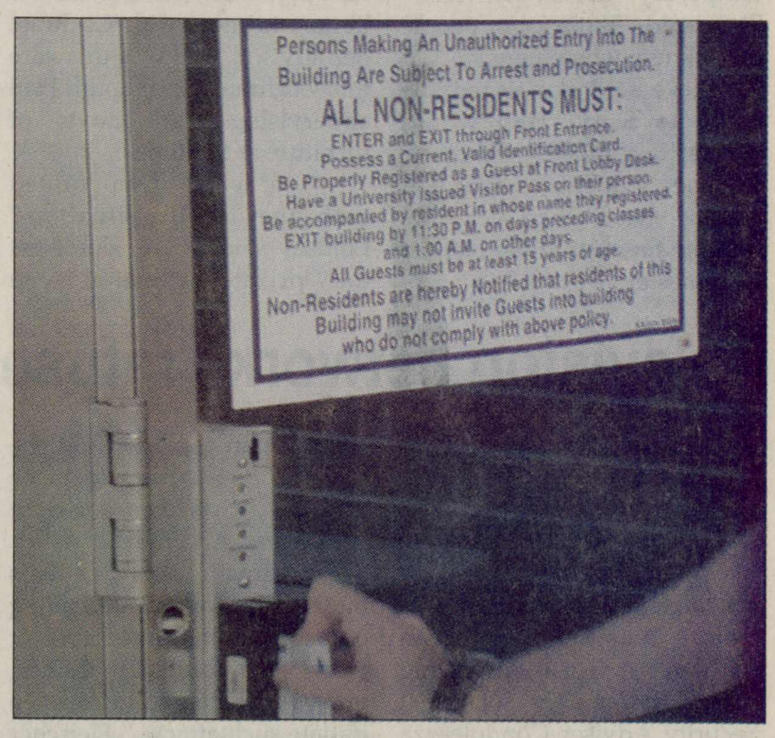


Photo by Rachael Kidd
All seven residence halls on the University's campus will see a new Diebold security system by the end of next week.

So Happy Together



Photo by Rachael Kidd
Molly Beach (left) and Will Hooper (right) are the University's 2001 Homecoming Queen and King. This is the first year NSU has had men on the court. The court will be presented on October 20 at halftime of the football game.

Hooper and Beach; King and Queen of 2001 Homecoming Court

By Rob Morgan
Sauce Reporter

Short of a nuclear holocaust, no event on Earth could possibly overshadow NSU's first ever co-ed homecoming court.

"I'm loving it...I'm loving it," Will Hooper, NSU Homecoming King, said about the co-ed homecoming.

A senior in social work, Hooper is involved in the Student Activities Board, the Student Government Association, the Catholic Student Organization, the Inter-Fraternity Counsel, a member of Sigma Nu fraternity and was a Freshman-Connector last summer.

"It is an understatement that I am excited," Hooper said, "My sister, Martha Hooper, was on the homecoming court for two years and was Miss. NSU in 1996, so she left a good legacy."

"Basically, I want to thank all the people that voted for me," Hooper said.

King Hooper will share the throne with Miss NSU Molly Beach. Beach is a senior involved with Tri-Sigma sorority, the Student Activities Board, Pan-Hellenic and the Order of Omega.

"I never thought I would be Homecoming Queen or Miss. NSU, and never would expected to be both in one year," she said. "I feel it is the biggest honor you can get for a student body to vote you Homecoming Queen and Miss. NSU in back-to back weeks."

"I love Molly Beach. We are really good friends," said Hooper about his Queen.

"I think she is great, and I do not think the school could not have picked a better person to represent NSU," Jennifer Dauenhauer, Homecoming court member said about Beach.

The male court will possibly the highlight of the night— good idea or not—but the student at NSU might not get to enjoy the diverse court next Homecoming.

"They brought the male court up, but now they are trying to get rid of it," Hooper said, "and the SGA should ask the students before getting rid of the male court."

"Ironically, the vote will occur next week during Homecoming." Hooper said.

Scholars' College begins move to South Hall

By Garrett Guillotte
Sauce Reporter

Furniture and some equipment were moved into South Hall Tuesday, paving the way for the Louisiana Scholars' College to open its new home there.

Betsy Cochran, Director of Scholars' College, was at South Hall supervising the move. She said the Physical Plant has completed much of the work but noted that a few details were still unfinished.

"There's a drainage problem at the front door," Cochran said. "The fire alarm is not installed yet. I think the bids were opened today... and so it'll be somewhat of a delay."

W. K. Norman, Physical Plant director, estimated that the Scholars' College would open its new doors "in a couple weeks."

"We're getting them moved in," Norman said.

Still, Holly Stave, Scholars' professor of English, said she still had worries about keeping the community of the College intact.

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Photo by Rachael Kidd
After a long awaited move across campus, the Scholars' College began its move to South Hall on Tuesday. The move should take "a couple of weeks."

General College; new name, same service

By Bess Renfrow
Sauce Reporter

The General College will now be known as the University College.

"The name was designed to clear up any confusion about our college and to let students know that we reach into other colleges at the University," Sue Weaver, Dean of the University College said.

The name General College confused some students. Most students thought the only thing the General College did was help general studies majors or was just a place to get general information about the university.

"Students would ask the operator for general information and they would patch them through to us. We would get questions such as 'How many credits do I need to be a sophomore?' or 'When is the last day to drop?' So, our hope is that the change in name will also help to clear up some confusion about our role at the University," Weaver said.

The decision to change the name of the General College was made in May so freshmen attending to Freshmen Connection would not be confused by the change in names.

"We didn't want incoming freshmen to register under one college and come back to a different one in the fall," Weaver said.

Other universities around the state have switched to this title because of the purpose it implies. A University College is one that takes part in all aspects of the university. The main goal of Northwestern's University College is student retention. With this goal in mind the University College maintains several programs aimed at student retention.

The foremost of these programs is Excel and the "early warning system".

The University College also serves those students who have a General Studies Major or are undecided.

"It is a college that is designed to help students academically by providing any kind of assistance for students and to try to push them into a major of choice," Weaver said.

The University College is located on the second floor of Kyser.

Scholars' College

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"We don't have a common place but we do have here (the temporary library offices)," Stave said. "But a lot of people don't know where here is."

Stave said she feared the move to South Hall would further confuse Scholars' College students, many of whom have had trouble finding the temporary offices all semester.

Scholars' College sophomore Amanda Lindsey illustrated Stave's worries. At the time of the interview, Lindsey was waiting in the library to meet with Cochran, her advisor. She was unaware that Cochran was at South Hall supervising the move of furniture at the time.

"I'm very disappointed with the faculty situation," Lindsey said. "You don't get the private attention you deserve and you can never pinpoint a faculty member... you never know where they are."

South Hall will provide each of Scholars' College's professors and its admissions department offices, phone lines, and University network connections, as well as a classroom and computer lab for students. Scholars' College's faculty currently resides in Watson Library's Room 115 with limited Internet access and one phone line.

Scholars' College was moved from Morrison Hall, the College's home for the last few years, for renovations at the end of August. The move to South Hall had been delayed due to budgetary restraints over the summer that prevented necessary renovations to South Hall until the start of class.

Television networks refuse to air bin Laden's message

By Sumana Chatterjee
Knight Ridder Newspapers

Major U.S. television networks agreed Wednesday not to air videotaped messages from Osama bin Laden without at least reviewing them first, after National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice asked TV executives to consider such restraint.

The Bush administration fears that such video messages -like the one broadcast Sunday after the U.S.-led bombings of Afghanistan began - could "be a signal to terrorists to incite attacks," White House spokesman Ari Fleischer said.

"Osama bin Laden's message is propaganda, calling on people to kill Americans. At worst, he could be issuing orders to his followers to initiate such attacks," Fleischer said.

The White House spokesman said government analysts have not found hard evidence that bin Laden has sent such messages by video, but they are investigating.

While Rice and Fleischer emphasized that the White House was only requesting restraint and not ordering censorship, independent analysts said the request placed TV networks in a difficult position.

TV executives must weigh their obligation to avoid endangering national security against their fundamental mission to inform the public, analysts said. The network's credibility could be at stake as an independent source of information rather than a tool of the U.S. government.

"This does not strike me as a persuasive national security consideration" since the video is widely available, Carolyn Marvin, professor at the Annenberg School for Communication at the University of Pennsylvania said. "There is an importance for the American audience in seeing what Osama bin Laden has to say and what he is saying to his supporters."



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Campus Connections

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Disney is giving a presentation about paid internships November 15 at 5 p.m. in Russel Hall Room 107. All majors and college levels are eligible.

CATHOLIC STUDENT ORGANIZATION

The CSO will be having weekly Bible studies every Tuesday at 8 p.m. at the center. Everyone is welcome. There will also be a praise and worship service Wednesday. For any information call Amy Dowden at 352-2615 or email to amyburson@hotmail.com.

BAPTIST COLLEGIATE MINISTRY

The BCM will have Wednesday night worship at the BCM, across the street from Watson Library, every Wednesday night. The worship begins at 8:31 p.m. All students are welcome to attend. For more information call the BCM at 352-5464.

CIRCLE K INTERNATIONAL

Circle K International invites you to its meetings every Tuesday night at 8:30 p.m. in room 320 of the Student Union. For more information call Jessica at 357-5974.

LADY OF THE BRACELET

Any woman interested in being a participant in the 2002 Miss Lady of the Bracelet pageant should go by room 214 of the Student Union to pick up a scholarship application. There will be an informational meeting Wednesday in the President's Room of the Student Union.

ON CAMPUS INTERVIEWS

The following companies will conduct on campus interviews for junior or senior business, marketing or management majors in October: Sherwin Williams - Wednesday from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. in room 305 of the Student Union; TXU Electric - EET majors October 23 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Interested students in an interview should come with a resume and transcript.

PHI MU FRATERNITY

All members should remember that bingo is today at Heritage Manor at 1:30 p.m. and sisterhood is at 5:30 p.m. at Potluck. Go and use your creativity to make some pottery. Grub is Friday. Everyone needs to remember to have a great time and to be safe.

NSU SPECTRUM

If you missed the organizational meeting on Wednesday, you can contact us via email at spectrum_nsu@hotmail.com for details of future meetings and events. Today is National Coming Out Day. Wear a red t-shirt to show your support of those courageously coming out.

KAPPA SIGMA

Please join the Kappa Sigma Fraternity Friday for our semesterly BBQ Chicken Cookout. Stop by the parking lot across the street from Beaudoin's Pizza Pub for the best meal you can get for $5 (or see any pledging member to buy a ticket early). Saturday come to Auto Zone on the strip, and we'll wash your car or pickup truck for $5, while you relax in the shade.

FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN ATHLETES

FCA will be having its weekly fellowship every Tuesday night. The meetings are held in the athletic field house on the south end of Turpin Stadium at 8 p.m. There will be a devotional speaker each week. Everyone is welcome to come and join us in praise.

LIFTED VOICES GOSPEL CHOIR OF NSU

The Lifted Voices Gospel Choir will be hosting these events this week: today-volleyball tournament at 6 p.m. in the gymnasium of the P.E. majors building; Friday-organizational softball game, Lifted Voices vs. African American Caucus at 5 p.m. on the I.M. fields near the Columns.

COUNSELING AND CAREER SERVICES

The following companies have sent correspondence to CCS informing us of current position openings: KTBS Shreveport-local sales account executive, NSU Printing-Printer I, NSU Shreveport Nursing-Secretary I. Come by room 305 of the Student Union for additional information.

***To see your Campus Connections in next week's edition of The Current Sauce, drop off your information in the Campus Connection box in room 225 of Kyser Hall.**

SGA tables bill; found unconstitutional

By Bess Renfrow
Sauce Reporter

The SGA tabled a bill that was found to be unconstitutional and are planning on holding a referendum.

Bill FA01-008, a bill that would change the by-laws concerning student media at Northwestern, was found to be unconstitutional by Dustin Floyd, Speaker of the Senate. The bill, sponsored by Internal Affairs, would require the editors-in-chief of all student media organizations to keep fifteen office hours per week and keep those office hours posted. The problem with this bill is that it amends Article 10 of the constitution and, under the section ratification, amendment to Article 10 is not allowed. Therefore, the constitution must be amended to allow for amendments to Article 10.

The SGA must hold a student referendum in order to amend the constitution. If this amending is passed in the student referendum, then another referendum must be held to amend Article 10.

"We could wait until the spring to vote on it but that's a long time to wait," Floyd said. "So, we might put emergency status on this referendum. We already have the voting machines here, so I don't see the problem in going ahead with the referendum but that will have to be discussed by the Senate."

Minutes 10/8/01

Meeting called to order at 7pm.
Prayer led by Justin Owen.
Pledge led by Jessica Cramer.

Minutes were amended to state that Torrey Washington was absent with excuse and Timmy Watts was present. Minutes were also amended to state that bill fao1-007 was sent to committee.

Greg Comeaux moves to approve amended minutes.
Justin Owen seconds.

Approved by general consent.

Senate guest, Justin Shatwell, addresses senate concerning the fund freezing legislation. Spoke on censorship and media law. Any questions please call. Left some information with the senate from the SPLC.

Executive Reports

Treasurer- Frank Torro
Fiscal met today at 8am. Unofficial recommendation is that the controversial bill will die in committee. Phone will be in by end of next week. Student Fee Review will start soon.

Vice-president- Dustin Matthews
Good luck on mid-terms.

President- Rusty Broussard
(out of town) Dustin Matthews delivers report.

Department Reports

Academic Affairs- Jessica Cramer
Coach Herman Boone who was portrayed by Denzel Washington in "Remember The Titans" has been booked to speak at Northwestern on December 5, 2001 at 7pm in the Student Union Ballroom. Will meet with faculty senate next week, mailed off legislation to Frances Pearson today. Looking into holding a pumpkin carving class and a christmas cookie baking class. More on that next week.

External Affairs- Greg Comeaux
Tomorrow 2pm Homecoming Banner decorating. Legislation coming up soon for $250 to host a tailgating with Nicholls State on the afternoon of the Homecoming game. T-shirt design suggestions should go to Tara Newman. Radio show from 9-12 tomorrow.

Fiscal Affairs- Frank Torro
Phone in next week. Unofficial recommendation to let bill fa01-007 die. Budget Report next week.
Organizational Grants- Greg Comeaux
Meet after meeting to establish a meeting time to discuss grants.

Club Sports- Scott Manguno
Flyers posted for different activities, names will be collected next week of interested parties.
Student Fee Review- Justin Owen
No budgets to review as of yet.

Internal Affairs- Dustin Floyd
Torrey Washington is recommendation for September Senator of the Month. He's worked very hard and has earned it. Rusty is going to report more next week on the parking fund bill. We'll get a portion of that money to go back into parking, but we don't know how much yet. Office Hours were lousy, not going to count because there must have been some confusion. Make sure to do your hours next week, use the new board. Card with name, log hours. Simple.
Meeting Mondays @ 4pm.

Student Affairs-Buster Carlisle
Exciting meeting last week. Meeting attendance has been good.
Residential Life- Jennifer Jensen

Meeting next week. Last week had a meeting with dorm reps, went well. Torrey Washington is working on an evaluation for dorms. Bringing some bills up next week.

No advisor's Report. Mr. Henry is absent.

SAB Report- Will Hooper
November 5-16 canned food drive. $100 for first place, $75 for second, and $50 for third.
Battle of the Bands Nov. 2 @ Prather Coliseum. 2nd annual Ms. Residential Life Pageant, Sabine Lobby.

Old Business

Dustin Floyd reads fa01-008.
Jennifer Fox moves to approve.
Justin Owen seconds.
Discussion followed.
Motion to send to internal affairs.
Motion passes, bill is sent to internal affairs.

Greg Comeaux reads fa01-009.
Scott Manguno moves to approve.
Jeremy Henriques seconds.
Discussion followed.
Motion passes.

Buster Carlisle moves to recommit fa01-007.
Luke Hutchison seconds.
Motion passes.

Jeremy Henriques moves to approve fa01-007.
Jennifer Fox seconds.

Greg Comeaux moves to amend bill to send addition to article 4 section 3 of the constitution rather than article 8 section3.
Jeremy Henriques seconds.
Motion passes.

Beaux Boudreaux moves to amend bill to include the time frame of one week.
Jeremy Henriques seconds.
Motion fails.

Buster Carlisle moves to approve amended version of fa01-007.
Greg Comeaux seconds.
Discussion followed.
Motion failed.

New Business

Scott Manguno moves for a show of hands on the rescinding of the money allocated to the flight team since they are not a RSO at this time and their event has been rescheduled in light of the September 11 tragedy.
Justin Owen seconds.
Motion passes.

Dustin Floyd would like the record to reflect that senates in the past have required the flight team to earn up to half of their expenses before funds would be allocated for special occasions.

Justin Owen moves to approve fa01-012 which has been granted emergency status.
Jessica Cramer seconds.
Discussion follows.
Buster Carlisle moves to rescind.
Greg Comeaux seconds.
Motion passes.

Jade Thibodeaux is up for appointment to senator-at-large position.
Confirmed.
Dustin Matthews administers oath of office.

Announcements

Greg Comeaux needs Organization grant members after meeting.

Office Hours will now be logged on the board in the office. New policy: only SGA senators will be given the floor when there is legislation debate. All other present will be asked to remain silent unless addressed by the chair.

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Homecoming court lacks minorities

Year after year, the university has shattered enrollment records, including the growing numbers of minorities.

To the 789 black males and 1,636 black females, both graduate and undergraduate, enrolled at Northwestern, excluding those who are satisfied by this year's elections, I hope that someday this institution of learning will realize we do not wish to be denied the proper representation that we obviously deserve.

Nonetheless, I have trouble believing that, out of 9 black female nominees, none of them were elected. Too many questionable circumstances surround this year's homecoming elections for me to refrain from exercising my freedom to speak my mind.

Firstly, as I was waiting in line to cast my vote, I was surrounded by other students who witnessed, SAB member, Bo Wellborn, go inside the voting booth with several different students to supposedly "help" them with the voting process, and the last time I checked, voting wasn't exactly brain surgery.

I, along with the other students, did not physically hear these students verbally ask for help from him.

There were a number of black students who voted before me, and he did not ask them if they needed help. Maybe he knew their votes wouldn't ultimately matter anyway.

Also, let me dispel a common myth: YOU DO NOT NEED TO VOTE FOR ALL 10 CANDIDATES!. You cannot be mandated to vote for a certain number of people.

Secondly, why is there no black representation on this "invisible" election board committee? It seems to me that any hint of confusion should prompt you to form a committee that reflects diversity. In a political election, not all of the people working the polls are white. I'm not implying the votes were skewed in any direction, but the situation would seem less controversial.

Thirdly, someone needs to decide what is to be done about voting machines in Iberville Dining Hall. You cannot print in the Current Sauce that the machines will be in Iberville, then suddenly change your minds.

Reverting back to my political election example, voting machines are not "placed in our backyard," but wards and precincts are drawn and the location for the polls is selected that is convenient to the registered voters in that precinct.

With more than 1000 students in Sabine and Rapides, they deserve to have a voting site most convenient for them. This is the place where "students come first," right?

Tell me why this is not a legitimate idea. Here's a possible answer: When the booths were in Iberville, black females were elected to the court. N.S.U.'s kitchen got too hot.

The election board committee argues that freshmen do not vote. I am sure that the freshman class would not appreciate such a generalization.

Other Louisiana universities have minority policies in place that guarantee minority representation. In this case, for example, if black students make up 20% of the student population, the 2 black females receiving the most votes would be elected. After all, the Court should mirror the student population. Our female Court does not.

I dare not try to take anything from the winner's victories. I congratulate you all, but when you have 500,000 sorority sisters and 100,000 fraternity brothers, its not that hard to be elected to the court.

-Michael Addison
Senior

Co-Author of controversial bill speaks out

The October 4th issue of the Current Sauce had an article published addressing a certain piece of legislation that I had written.

I would like to reprint one passage from this article where it states "...the Student Government Association is attempting to pass legislation that would widely expand its powers over the finances of organizations on campus."

Article 10 (dealing with the Media Board) Section 4.2 of the SGA by-laws states "The Student Media [which consists of Argus, Current Sauce, KNWD, and Potpourri] will receive their funding through the Student Government Association.

This legislation came out of the Fiscal Affairs department of SGA. For those of you who do not know, fiscal deals with money and economics. Therefore this in no way was intended to attack the Current Sauce, by censorship as stated in last weeks article.

Article 10 Section 1.1 states: It [the media board] shall in no way act as a censoring agent."

This view is also echoed in Article 10 Section 9 where it explains that only the editor of the publication or the general manager of the radio station is allowed to censor.

Therefore the statement suggesting that the SGA can freeze the *Current Sauce's* budget if they do not like what is being written should be considered an invalid statement.

I have read the SGA constitution and by-laws beforehand and never did intend to censor. This legislation was written well before this meeting and before the September 27th issue was published.

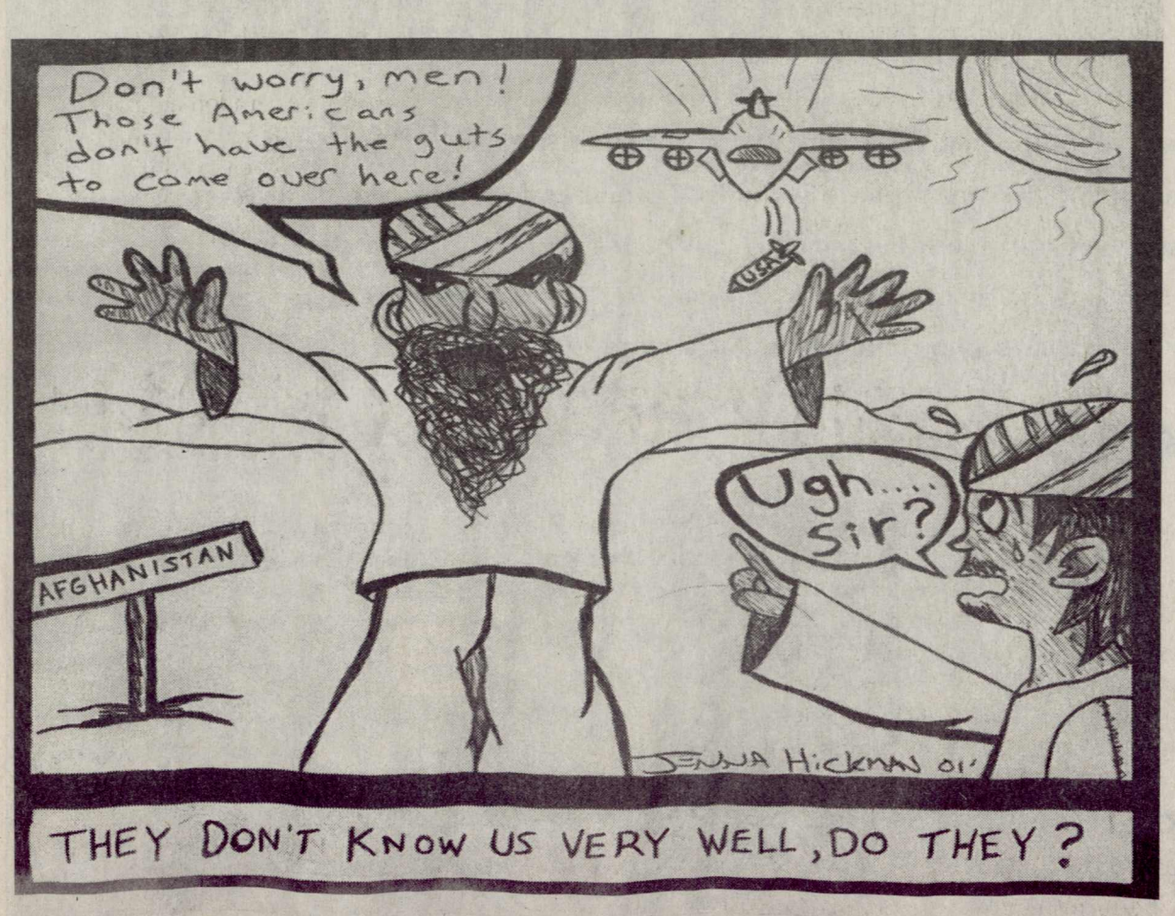
This newspaper issue is singled out because numerous complaints have arisen as a result of some of its content.

For instance the "organizations in the past have misused funds, and/or have not performed the duties expected of them in a professional manner"

During the course of the 1999-2000 academic year a student was given a full paid scholarship for two semesters at the end of the Spring semester he/she was required to publish one issue of the media in question. This student failed to meet his/her publishing date.

To me this qualifies as a misuse of funds as well as not performing his/her duties in a professional manner.

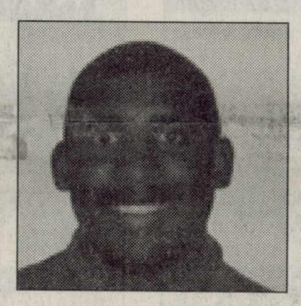
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Editor's Take

Phi Mus, Tri Sigmas, please show the Current Sauce some love



Rondray Hill
Editor's Take

Okay, check this out for me.

I'm walking outside my door at about 8:45 a.m. this Monday. It's cold, and worse, it's time for class.

So, I head out the door and start my trek for class when I'm momentarily distracted.

I looked on the door of my neighbor, and I saw that someone placed a sign on this person's door that said, "Phi Mu loves Such Andsuch."

It was a posterboard made in blue, pink and white. I'm sure it was a nice present for the person who lives there.

I continued walking to class. When I got to Kyser Hall, I saw another one of those signs. "Phi Mu loves Jane Doe!"

And there were more. And they weren't just limited to Phi Mu's. There were a whole bunch of little fliers that said, "Tri-Sigma thinks Kelli is AWESOME!!!," "Stacey is the best Tri-Sigma ever," and many more like them.

They just kind of popped up. Like those mushrooms that you swore weren't in your yard yesterday but after it rained they were just there. Kinda like that.

I'm not saying I don't like them. In fact, I enjoy them. I get a kick out of seeing who's the best Tri-Sigma to ever be born.

Ever.

But I gotta admit, I'm a little jealous. Nobody seems to love me. I'm nobody's favorite.

I'm sad.

It's not just that everywhere I go, I seem to upset at least 20 or 30. But I can't even be Alpha Omicron Pi's favorite editor.

Why is that? Why is it that I haven't seem a flier that said, "AO∏ thinks Rondray Hill ROCKS!".

What about, "Alpha Kappa Alpha thinks the Sauce is the stuff!"

Or better yet, someone could come and put a sign on my door. Check that. If I gave some of you my address, I'd probably come home missing a TV and about $20 bucks.

And don't forget about my staff while you're at it. I want to see a banner that says "We love Kristen Dauzat, signed Phi Mu."

Maybe we could put "Zeta Phi Beta loves Kaleb Breaux."

How about "Tri-Sigma has nothin' but love for Elona Boggs."?

Why not? I mean, I like to think you guys love us here at the *Sauce*. I sure hope you do.

What's not to love. Every week we make someone on this campus a celebrity. So I like to think that everyone, at some point has loved the *Current Sauce*.

It's an idea to kick around during your weekly meetings. Just a little something to consider while chatting and shooting the breeze.

Because I love you. You're the greatest!

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Campus Life

NSU Theatre prepares for performances

by Britton Faucon
Sauce Reporter

The NSU Theatre Department will entertain the campus in coming weeks with two performances, *Frankenstein* and *Out on a Limb*.

Practices for Frankenstein have been underway for two weeks. It will open on October 31st. Bill Gilmore, the playwright for Frankenstein, is on campus helping direct the performance. The cast for Frankenstein is Becca Foster, Kim Longmire, Jerome Rhodes, Larry Soileau, Levi Petree, Bob Moses, Kyle Lemaire, Dr. Wann, Annie Fackler, Alaine Claire, Caroline Bolter, Amie Clarke, Amaris Davidson, Robyn Eddy, Katie Guell, Meghan Shea, Hector Guivas, Kerry Lambert, John Snow, and Chris Ware.

Out on a Limb, an improv troupe led by Scott Burrell, performs weekly at the Pub on Front St. and on the deck at Mariner's restaurant in Natchitoches.

The *Out on a Limb* cast includes: Josh Laird, Amie Clark, Robyn Eddy, Jonathan Steele, Jessica Marasco, Larry Soileau, Adam-Louis Breaux, Colin Trahan, PatCalfee, and Jenni Keggereis.

Project helps fight breast cancer

The Community Wellness Project at Northwestern State University organized an e-mail campaign to inform women about breast cancer during October.

The program began on Oct. 4 and will run throughout the month.

During October, which is Breast Cancer Awareness Month, faculty and staff at NSU will use an e-mail campaign to provide personalized messages about breast cancer detection to friends and family.

Professor of Health and Human Performance Dr. Michael Moulton, Assistant Professor of Psychology Dr. Susan Barnett, Instructor of Health and Human Performance Tara Gallien and Instructor of Psychology Virginia Cecchini are assisting in developing the campaign

The program will emphasize a three-step approach to breast cancer detection. Those steps include regular self-examination beginning at age 20, clinical examinations every three years and mammograms beginning at 40.

The Community Wellness Project at Northwestern was founded to disseminate information regarding the latest techniques and strategies in prevention and awareness in several health-related areas.

New businesses opening in Natchitoches

by Kira Gervais
Sauce Reporter

New businesses re opening in Natchitoches, such as Sam Goody and Hibbett Sports, creating more job opportunities for NSU students.

Evie Posey, director of Job Location and Development, said Sam Goody's and Hibbett Sports, opening up on Kyser Ave. next door to Wal-Mart, have contacted her wanting to hire students.

"They are interested in using students for part-time help," Posey said.

Ricky Robbins, manager of Sam Goody, said students are the target age that he wants.

"I am looking for a variety of everyone, but the students are the age range that I am looking for," Robbins said.

Robbins said he wants to hire about 25 people to help with the store set-up before it opens, and then he wants to keep six or seven once the store opens.

Robbins contacted the Job Location and Development at NSU so he could reach students. He was conducting interviews at the JLD, which is located on the third floor of the student union, on Wednesday. He will also be hearing more interviews today and Friday.

He said he also put applications at the store with his home address so people could mail him applications. He said people have also applied for the job through the Sam Goody location in Alexandria.

Robbins said he knows what it is like to be a college student looking for a job.

"I've been to college before, and I know how hard it is to find a job," he said. "I wanted to give the students a chance."

Robbie Compton, the district sales manager for Hibbett Sports, but he was not available for an interview. Posey said Compton also contacted her in order to get students to apply for a job.

Posey said students involved with JLD will have the first priority for these jobs, but she encouraged more students to apply for JLD. If a student cannot get a job at one of the new businesses, JLD can give students other job possibilities.

More job opportunities may still open up for students at the shopping center next to Wal-Mart. Robbins said there are two more spaces that haven't been claimed yet.

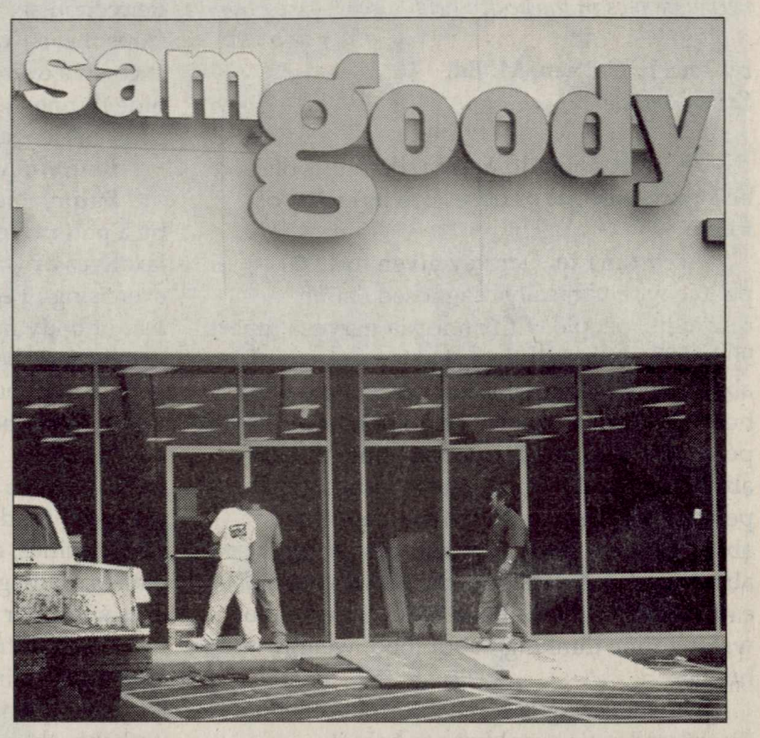


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Many businesses are opening in the Natchitoches area, bringing new job opportunities for students.

In Perspective

ROTC conducts training exercises



Photo by Jennifer Bocanegra

Cadets move across the rope bridge at Camp Beauregard last weekend.



Photo by Jennifer Bocanegra

Tumbling down the rabit hole? Not exactly. ROTC students ropell down a wall during the training excercise.

by Jennifer Bocanegra
Sauce Reporter

While other college students spent their weekend studying, relaxing or working, students from the ROTC department participated in field training exercises at Camp Beauregard.

At "O'dark thirty" on Saturday morning, sixty-two ROTC cadets from Northwestern State University, Natchitoches, Louisiana State University, Alexandria and Louisiana State University, Shreveport gathered around to receive instructions from senior cadets on how they would spend the next two days. In an effort to bring groups from different universities together ROTC cadre inter mixed students and broke them off into small groups for training.

"The comradery was astounding. People who you didn't know who they were before-like in five minutes, you knew them," said MSI cadet Eva De Leon .

Cadet teams worked together to complete an obstacle course and a "Ropes" course. According to Student Battalion Commander Patricia Quigley the whole concept for this type of training was teaching cadets how to work together in teams and trust each other. In the obstacle course, cadets had to push, pull and/or motivate their teammates in order to finish in a decent amount of time. The "Ropes" training helped cadets learn trust their fellow team members who had to catch them as they fell backwards or when they jumped up over a large wall.

"This training was good, it builds our confidence and prepares us as future leaders. We learn to work together to pull through to get the task accomplished," said MSIII cadet Josie Covington.

Once cadets completed the team building exercises, they were required to repel down a 40-foot tower. This was the only individualized event during the two-day training. "I really liked the repelling because it helped me get over my fear of heights," said Covington.

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On Sunday morning, cadets woke up early to participate in more obstacle-like training. This training was called a "Leaders Reaction Course." This time, according to Quigley, senior classmates evaluated lower level cadets using 16 different dimensions of leadership to include: motivation, physical fitness and ability to give oral orders.

Even though cadets were sore and tired from training the day before, Battalion S-3 Jason James and other senior classmates kept the energy level high with their own personal motivational skills.

Training ended Sunday afternoon and cadets loaded the buses to head back home.

"It was a lot of fun, I really enjoyed it and I am going to be sore tomorrow with lots of bruises," said De Leon.

Alexandria native to display artwork at NSU

An exhibit of photographic illustrations by David Texada of Alexandria will be on display at Northwestern State University Oct. 15 through Nov. 9 in the Orville G. Hanchey Art Gallery on Northwestern State University's campus.

Texada is an award-winning editorial illustrator with *The Town Talk* in Alexandria.

Since 1993, the photo systems manager, technician, and photographer has enhanced traditional photographs with the ever broadening range of computer software available in the world of technology.

The high-impact images in Texada's work are based on elements of popular culture such as 1950s science fiction films, television, and computer games, along with surrealist artist influences like Salvador Dalí, René Magritte, and M.C. Escher.

Most of Texada's imaginative illustrations are geared to a new generation of readers. They appear on the newspaper's "Youth" page, but others accompany religious, cultural, and medical stories and serve as cover art for the paper's "View" entertainment section.

Texada is a native and lifelong resident of Alexandria. He is a graduate of Southern Methodist University where he earned a Bachelor of Fine Arts. Texada has received numerous awards for his photography and illustrations from the Associated Press and the Louisiana Press Association.

He will be honored at a reception in the gallery area on Oct. 15 from 7 p.m. until 9 p.m. The reception and exhibition are open to the public. Texada will also speak to NSU art students on Oct. 22

Other coming exhibits include one by California native, JonMarc Edwards. That display will run in October through November.

For more information, visit the Art Department's web site at www.nsula.edu.

Wellness Report:

Worries about weight, body image could lead to eating disorders

Editor's note:

The following is the first of a reoccurring article to appear in the Life section of the Current Sauce. Tara Gallien is a professor at NSU, and has studied various topics in the health field.

by Tara L. Gallien, M. Ed.
Sauce Reporter

At what point do normal thoughts of food become abnormal or obsessive thoughts of food?

According to a survey given to 1,000 people with clinically diagnosed eating disorders, people with anorexia nervosa report 90 to 100 percent of their waking time thinking about food, weight and hunger. People with bulimia nervosa report spending about 70 to 90 percent of their total conscious time thinking about food and weight-related issues, while people with disordered eating may spend about 20 to 65 percent of their day thinking about food. In contrast, women with normal eating habits spend about 10 to 15 percent of waking time thinking about food, weight, and hunger.

The following is some information about disordered eating and how to help it.

EATING DISORDERS

An eating disorder is a psychiatric illness. Anorexia nervosa, bulimia nervosa, and binge eating disorder are specific eating disorders. The development of eating disorders involves personality, genetics, environment and biochemistry. Many people with eating disorders suffer from depression, anxiety and obsessive compulsive disorder. The illness acts as a survival mechanism to help individual's cope with life.

Anorexia Nervosa

Anorexia nervosa is an emotional disorder. When appetite and hunger are suppressed, weight loss occurs. People with this disorder are usually women, and are competitive and perfectionist by nature. Although this condition involves a weight loss orientation, experts believe that the anorexic person is attempting to meet a much deeper need for control. This self-induced starvation is life-threatening in 5% to 20% of cases.

Signs: .

Perfectionist , thin and keeps getting thinner, skips meals, loss of menstrual periods , excessive exercising, wears baggy clothes to hide thinness, dry hair or skin, growth of body hair and feeling faint or cold.

Bulimia Nervosa

Bulimia nervosa is a disorder characterized by a pattern of eating and vomiting, taking laxatives or water pills (diuretics), or over exercising . People with the disorder have a fear of body fat, even though their size and weight may be normal. As with anorexia, most people with bulimia are women, although cases in men have been reported

Signs:

Bathroom use immediately after eating, excessive food shopping, menstrual irregularities, constipation, sore throat, swollen glands, damaged teeth and gums, blood-shot eyes and poor body image.

Binge Eating Disorder

Binge eating disorder, characterized by frequent episodes of uncontrollable eating, is probably the most common eating disorder. The over eating or binging is often accompanied by feeling out of control and depression, guilt, or disgust. Food is related to feelings of insecurity.

How to get help

Early detection of an eating disorder is important to increase the likelihood of successful treatment and recovery. The key to recovery is to understand the cause of the self-destructive behavior and to acquire the tools to facilitate the necessary changes.

To find out if you have an eating disorder, visit Health Services or the Counseling and Career Center on the third floor of the Student Union. For further information, access www.somethingfishy.org

If have questions about this topic or any other health topic, please e-mail me at tarag@nsula.edu.

The truth on Islam

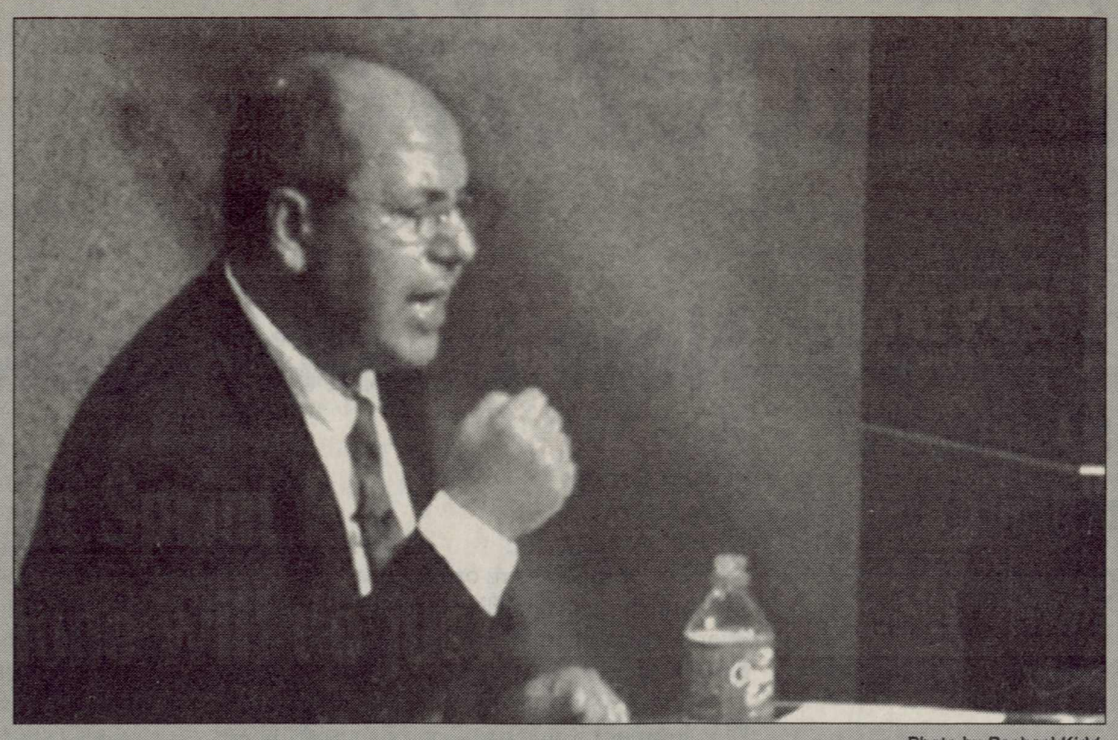


Photo by Rachael Kidd

Abderazak Benyahia, Secretary General of the Islamic Association of Greater Shreveport, spoke about "TheTtruths of Islam" on Tuesday in the television studio on the first floor of Kyser Hall. The presentation attempted to correct many misconceptions of Islam held by Americans as a result of the terrorist acts of Sept. 11 that have been linked to Islam.

Young adults struggle to find political voice

by Alissa MacMillan and Amy DiLuna
New York Daily News

In just over two weeks, Generation Y has turned into Generation Why? Countless questions about the state of the world fill the minds and conversations of today's college students and those in their 20s, a group that, until now, had been known less for its interest in politics than for its obsession with self.

Since the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon, a generation born in the 1970s and early `80s has begun to find its voice. A focus on beer, babes and MTV has been replaced by a new clarity and purpose.

"I matured three years in two seconds," says Riana Chavez, 19, a sophomore at Pace University, who was in class the day of the attacks. "It made me more interested to see what (politicians will) do, as opposed to being indifferent. It's made me change my perspective a lot."

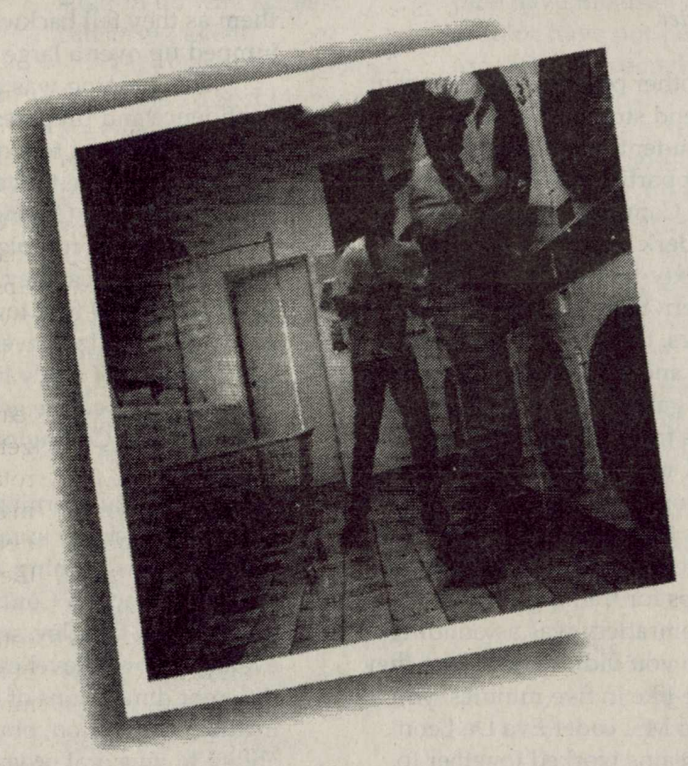
A generation that has known only peace and prosperity is finally confronting a harder reality. "My generation, we kind of grew up in a booming economy," says Paul Casey, 22, executive president of the student body at Fordham University. "We only experienced the best of the best. We've never gone through a world war, Vietnam, or anything like that."

More than two weeks later, many are still mourning, and many more are afraid of what will happen next. Others are gathering regularly in places like Union Square to preserve memorials and share opinions. Others are volunteering or donating blood.

"People want to do something - want to help the city, help individuals affected, and families," says Pace University President David Caputo, who steered his school through the evacuation of their campus at 1 Pace Plaza. "They're going to fire stations to express condolences, want to be available to help. ... They have the desire to help in some tangible way."

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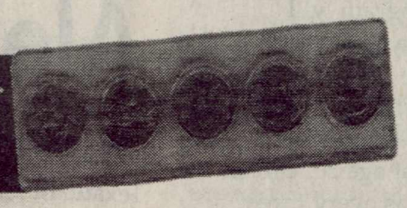
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Tiger ragged; Demons fall to LSU 1-0

Mandy Heintz scored on a header off a rebound during a frantic scramble in front of the Northwestern State goal with under seven minutes left to play Wednesday, lifting LSU to a 1-0 women's soccer victory.

The Tigers (7-3-1) outshot the defending Southland Conference champion Demons (4-5-1) by a 19-5 margin but the game was scoreless until the waning minutes. Heintz scored at the 83:15 mark in the non-conference matchup.

Demon goalkeeper Tiffany Swingler had four saves before the Tigers were able to convert. Heintz, a sophomore forward, led all players with six shots.

"We gave the best team effort of the season in the second half today," said Demon coach Jimmy Mitchell. "If we can give this kind of effort every game, we can beat anybody in the conference."

Shannon Tenney led Northwestern with three shot attempts. LSU goalkeeper Bonnie Otillio needed to make just one save, on a shot in the second half by Demon freshman Bryndie Maag, to keep the shutout intact.

"The difference in the game today was they handled the wind when they were facing it, and we didn't fare as well," said Mitchell. "Depth was a factor in their favor. Week in and week out, they're playing a much faster pace than we do and that was an advantage for them."

The Demons resume conference play at home Friday in a 4:30 match against league-leading Southwest Texas. NSU plays host to Centenary Sunday at 2 p.m..



Photo by Gary Hardamon
Shannon Tenney battles with an LSU defender in the Demons' 1-0 loss.

Gardner-Webb tickets can be used for donation to Red Cross

Football season ticket holders at Northwestern State can make a donation to the North Louisiana chapter of the American Red Cross by not requesting a refund for their unused tickets from the cancelled Sept. 15 home game against Gardner-Webb.

Greg Burke, athletic director at Northwestern, made the offer in a letter sent to all season ticket holders. Cancellation of the game left the Demons with only four home appearances, and the ticket holders were given three options, including the donation to the Red Cross.

Season ticket holders who do not request a refund of their tickets from the Sept. 15 game will be listed in the letter accompanying the donation to the area's Red Cross headquarters in Shreveport-Bossier. Donors will also be listed for the remaining three home games in the official game program, and throughout the year on the www.nsudemons.com official NSU Athletics website, said Burke.

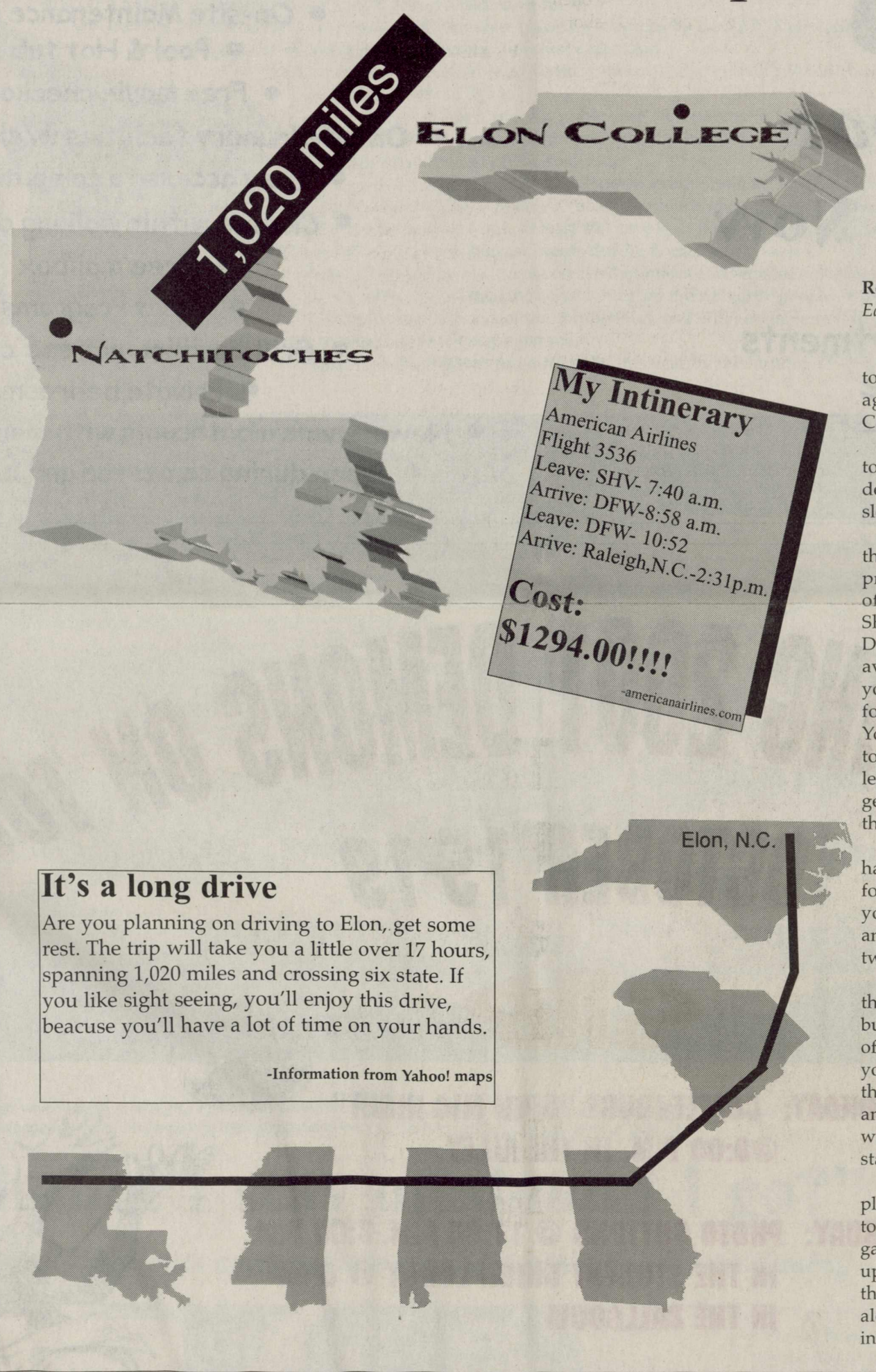
"This is a token of the support and appreciation we have at Northwestern State for the tremendous role that our regional Red Cross is fulfilling in the aftermath of Sept. 11," said Burke. "We are especially proud that NSU alumni are among the Red Cross staff and volunteers who are playing an important part in our nation's recovery from the events of last week."

Another option available gives patrons the choice of redeeming each of their season tickets for one general admission ticket for one of the three remaining home games: Oct. 20 against Nicholls State, Oct. 27 against Jacksonville State or Nov. 17 against Stephen F. Austin.

The third choice available to season ticket holders is a refund of 20 percent of the cost of their season ticket package. The amounts of the refunds will vary according to the type of package purchased, said NSU athletic business manager Roxanne Freeman.

Fans who purchased single-game tickets for the Sept. 15 contest can exchange their seats for any of the three remaining home games. In those cases, the tickets must be returned to the NSU Ticket Office at the athletic fieldhouse during business hours from 8 a.m.-5 p.m..

Road Trip



It's a long drive

Are you planning on driving to Elon, get some rest. The trip will take you a little over 17 hours, spanning 1,020 miles and crossing six state. If you like sight seeing, you'll enjoy this drive, beacuse you'll have a lot of time on your hands.

-Information from Yahoo! maps

Have money, will travel

Want to know how much it'll cost to go to this week's football game? A lot.

Rondray Hill
Editor

So, you say you want to go to this week's game against Elon in North Carolina.

It's still possible to get to the game, but you'll definitely need a lot of sleep and a lot of cash.

If you want to fly to the game this week, be prepared to shell out a lot of cash. Flights from Shreveport to Raleigh-Durham airport are available, but they'll run you about $1,300 dollars for a round trip ticket. You'll have to leave tomorrow, but the flights leaving on Saturday wont get you there in time for the game.

That means you'll have to get a hotel room for two days, and for that, you'll have to drop another $118 bucks for a two-night stay.

Raleigh-Durham is the closest airport to Elon, but it's about 40 miles out of the way, which means you'll have to rent a car at the airport. Chalk up another $90 dollars for weekend use of a standard-sized car.

All together, if you plan on catching a flight tomorrow to head to the game, you'll probably end up spending a little more than $1,500 on travel alone. That doesn't include tickets, food and souvenirs from the game.

What about gassing up that old trusty Cadillac and driving to North Carolina? You could do that, but you should get to bed right now. The 17-hour drive and the 2 p.m. game time start means you'll have to leave at around 7 p.m. tomorrow and drive though the morning and night.

It's a 1,020-mile trip spanning six states. If your Caddie gets about 15 miles per gallon on its 22 gallon tank, be prepared to fill up three times during your trip.

And with the national price of unleaded gas around $1.50, three fill-ups will cost you about $100 dollars. Multiply that with three more fill-ups on the way back to give you a grand total of about $200.

Of course, before you leave you might want to get an oil change, tire rotation, or a tune up to make sure the Caddie doesn't break down on the road.

An oil change and rotation is about $40 bones, and a tune up might be $80-100.

So if you drive, your grand total could be as high as $420 smackeroos.

It's definitely possible to get to the game this week. Keep in mind that you'll need some deep pockets.

Volleyball team picks up road win, 3-0

By Cooda Dobin
Sauce Reporter

The Northwestern State University volleyball team won 3-0 against non-conference Centenary Ladies, snapping an eight-match losing streak Tuesday night.

The Demons took only 78 minutes to end the match scoring on every attempt, 30-16, 30-24, and 30-28.

NSU is 4-13 overall and 1-8 in the Southland Conference.

The Demons were led by sophomore setter Cathy Herring who contributed seven kills, 21 assists, three aces, and a .417 attack percentage.

"We look at this game as a positive," said NSU head coach James Onikeku. "Every victory we get will give us confidence."

The Demons have quality players but they are lacking the experience by starting three freshmen, two sophomores and a junior.

"Athletically we are good, the scores are very close but at crunch time the lack of experience comes out and it enables us to close the game," said NSU head coach Onikeku.

Also for the Demons were freshmen Keri Cottle with five kills and a .625 attack percentage, Shannon Puder added seven kills and junior Christina Stone with eight kills and 12 digs.

NSU got nine service aces to two, and outhit the Ladies .222 to .116.

The Demons resume conference action on Friday on the road and then come home for a six-match home spree in Prather Coliseum next Wednesday.

"We have played everybody in the conference and now we know we can play with them and win," said Onikeku.



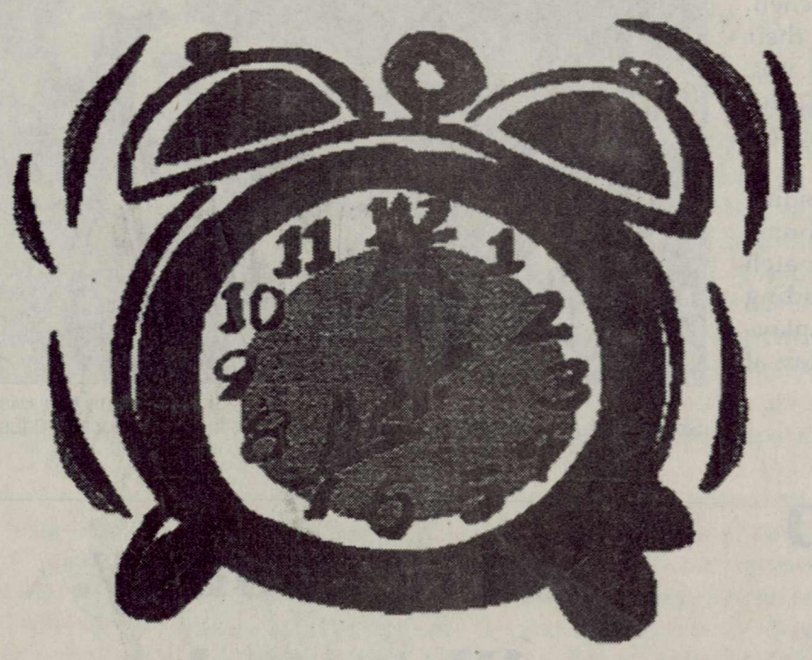
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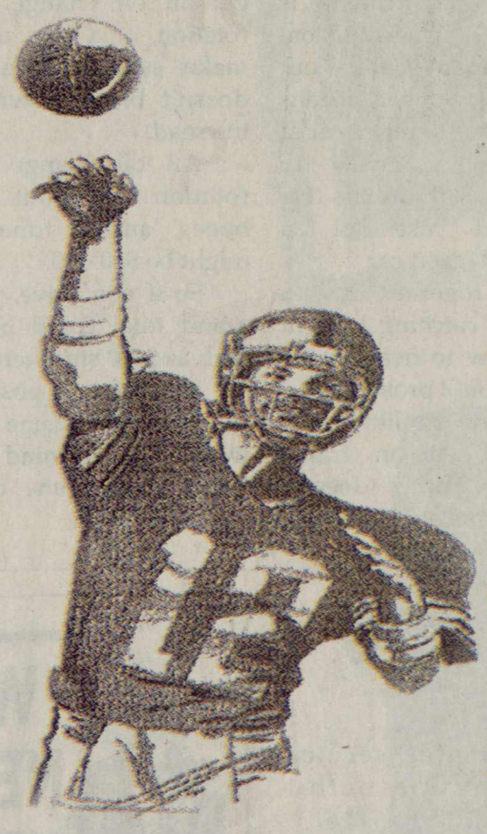
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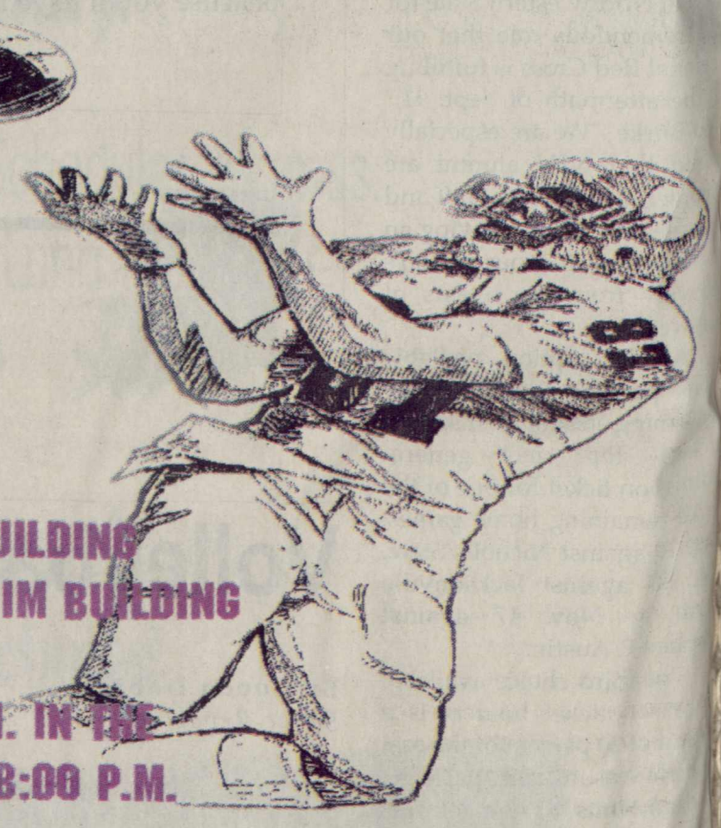
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SAB sponsors week full of homecoming events

By Rob Morgan
Sauce Reporter

The Student Associations Board hosted a variety of events for the student body this week.

An 'Open Mic Night' kicked off the events in the Alley on Monday, and it showed a "very good turn out in the Coffee House" according to SAB president Michelle Meyer.

"It was like a little talent show," Jennifer Grey, member of the Homecoming Court, said. "Anybody that wanted to could sing off a Karaoke machine-a lot of people brought their own music."

On Tuesday in the Student Union, photo buttons were made for students by the SAB. The origin of this activity is unknown, but Meyer explained it by saying, "it is just a tradition."

The photo buttons were available on Tuesday and will also be available on Thursday in the Student Union from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

"We are doing it two days, that way we can hopefully get to more students," Meyer said, "We want students to understand it is first come/first serve. It is pretty much until we run out of Polaroid film."

Tuesday night at 6 p.m. the 'Homecoming Hunnies' and lip sync contests were held in the Ballroom, and the SAB was able to boast another impressive turn out for this weeks activities.

"A very awesome turn out...at least 400 people. It was very packed," said Meyer, "Every year this is actually one of our biggest events during homecoming week"

The 'Homecoming Hunnies' event consisted of males and females entertaining the Homecoming court for 45 seconds, and then the court voting on their favorite people. Robin Samson and Brian McCoy were the two winners of the competition, and will get the honor of riding with the Homecoming Court in Friday's parade.

The lip sync contest was run differently this year by the forming of

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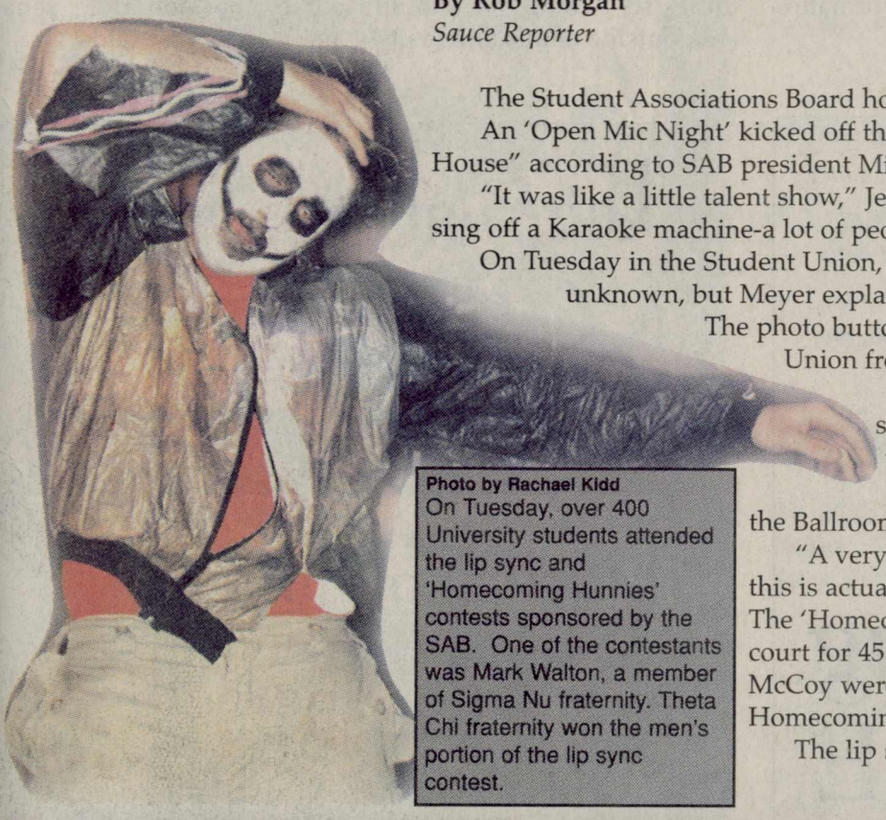


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On Tuesday, over 400 University students attended the lip sync and 'Homecoming Hunnies' contests sponsored by the SAB. One of the contestants was Mark Walton, a member of Sigma Nu fraternity. Theta Chi fraternity won the men's portion of the lip sync contest.



Photo by Rachael Kidd

Kappa Kappa Psi 'Car Bash'

Kappa Kappa Psi sponsored a 'Car Bash' which began on Monday and ended yesterday. Students had three different options of bashing the car. Students could use tools such as a small sledge hammer, a crowbar and a large sledge hammer. 50 percent of the contributions went to the Red Cross. The event raised over $200.

"Should I stay or should I go?"

University students contemplate heading home for Homecoming

By Mindy Mixon
Sauce Reporter



Photo by Rachael Kidd
Jeanneda Argieard, a University student, packs up her car for her voyage home this weekend. This semester the SAB has spent large sums of money to prevent these types of pilgrimages.

When the idea for Homecoming originated in the 1940's, its purpose was for students and alumnae to band together to cheer on the Demon football team.

Lately, however, that notion has become an outdated concept. More and more students run home during the weekend of homecoming.

"It's all campuses across the state of Louisiana, not just Northwestern," Carl Henry, director of student activities, said. "Students want momma's home cooking and to get their laundry done."

In fact, at one time the Student Activities Board shelled out big bucks on tailgating activities. But even bands and food for two hours failed to draw a crowd.

"I wish I could tell you differently, but generally weekend programming just doesn't work," Henry said. "Students like to do their own things."

So, what could be better than attending a college football game?

"I have to drive to Kaplan to see my boyfriend," Jessica Briolo said. "I know that when I return all my friends will be talking about it, but I really want to see my boyfriend."

"I am taking twenty hours of classes," Ike McCool said. "I've been doing nothing but homework for the past two weeks and I don't have time to go."

"I don't go because I have family at home to take care of," Amy Winn said. "I would like to go because I think I would enjoy it, but I don't have much of a night life."

Jobs are the primary reason students miss out on weekend social activities.

"I work two jobs to pay for school," Kim Eppler said. "I haven't gone to any games yet."

"I'd like to go but I am scheduled to work this Saturday," Braden Guy said. "But I still have two years left to attend football games."

However, last years homecoming game against rival McNeese State drew a record crowd of 13,029 fans almost filling Turpin Stadium, which hold 15,971. Doug Ireland, sports information director, expects to max out the stadium this weekend.

"This is only the second time we've played at home this season and it's against a good opponent," Ireland said. "It will be a beautiful day, the team has been playing well and the band will be there."

Students will have only four opportunities to root for the Demons at home. Ireland advises to take advantage of the few chances.

"There is nothing that brings people together on this campus like a football game, and this particular game has so much tradition," Ireland said.

Homecoming 2001

A special edition of *The Current Sauce*, where we'll take a close look at everything you'll need to know for this week's festivities.

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three divisions for: fraternities, sororities, and general organizations, including residential halls. Winners of the three divisions were for the fraternities, Theta Chi; sororities, Delta Sigma Theta; and for general, the African American Caucus.

A 'Fun Run' was held on Wednesday by the Intramural Building at 4 p.m. along with a block party at 6 p.m. The distance of the run was 3.1 miles and 225 people participated. "We had a great turn out," Mark Deshotel, director of recreational sports, said.

A 'Slamboree' will be held at 8 p.m. on Thursday in Prather Coliseum.

"It is something new...we started two years ago," Meyer said, "We do it at Prather, and it is equal to 'Dinner with the Demons', which we do in the spring to honor the spring sports."

The Homecoming parade will take place on Friday at 5 p.m. and the pep rally following at 5:30 p.m. on the River Front. "Demons on Tour" is the theme for this years parade, and will have around 30 floats from a variety of student organizations.

"We got the idea for it because the Demons do travel to different states to play football," Meyer said.

And last but not least, the football game, which is the main event of this week, will kick-off at 2 p.m. on Saturday. The Demons will be hosting Nicholls State, and will surely provide the Homecoming court and fans with a win.

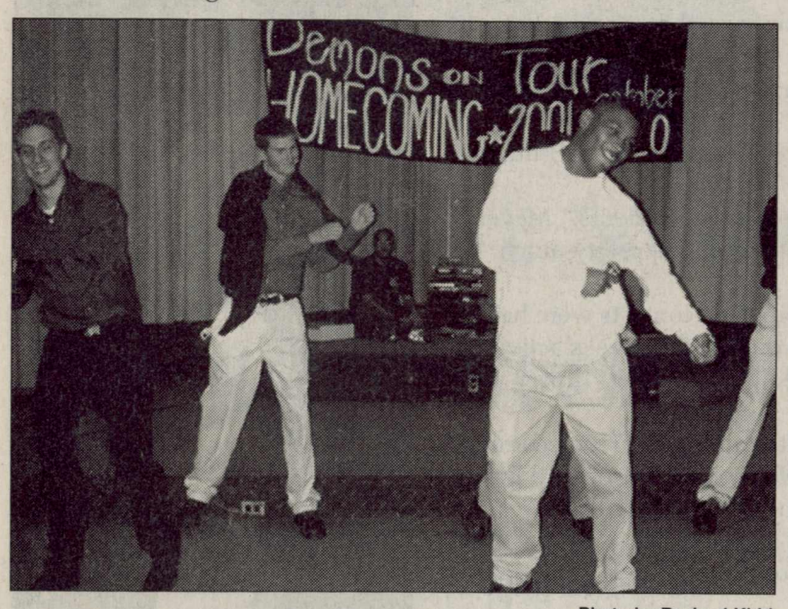


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Members of Delta Upsilon were amongst the many groups that participated in Tuesday's lip sync contest. The members pictured above were (from the left) Codey Christensen, Kurt Lonrdier and Torrey Washington.

Faculty Senate tables SGA bill

By Bess Renfrow
Sauce Reporter

The Faculty Senate tabled a bill by the SGA that allowed student evaluation of faculty to be made public.

The Bill FA01-006 was sponsored by the Academic Affairs Committee, which is headed by Jessica Cramer. Cramer spoke to the Faculty Senate on Tuesday concerning the bill and it's purpose.

"The objective of the bill is to give the students information on the faculty,"Cramer said. "This information will help the registration process."

Many faculty senators objected to the bill on the basis of privacy and validity.

"The problems I have with this bill is that it is very broad, was not signed by the SGA President, and is possibly illegal," Dr. Frances Pearson, President of the Senate said.

However, students are not the only ones who are concerned with the student evaluations.

"Another problem I have, as a faculty member and not as the senate president, is that the evaluations themselves are not very good," Pearson said. "So, the information being made public would not help any if the information was not beneficial."

Because of the Faculty Senate's concern with student evaluations they have established a committee to look into it. This committee is co-chaired by Bob Gilliam, faculty at the Graduate School, who looks at evaluations for internet courses and Scott Roach, a member of the faculty at the College of Business, who looks at evaluations for classroom courses.

"I think the evaluations are very poor and do not provide good information," Roach said. "I know that there are other universities who have done this sort of thing, so I think we should look outside of our university and create a model of another universities program."

The Student Evaluation Committee is in the process of reviewing and possibly revising the student evaluations. When questioned on the SGA's plan of action Dustin Floyd, Speaker of the Senate, said that a new bill will be written. Pearson expects another bill to be brought before the Faculty Senate and will allow it if changes are made.

"If the SGA can prove that this bill is legal and will rewrite it with more specific language, then I will let it come before the senate again," Pearson said.



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CATHOLIC STUDENT ORGANIZATION

The CSO will be having weekly Bible studies every Tuesday at 8 p.m. at the center. Everyone is welcome. There will also be a praise and worship service Wednesday. On Homecoming day the CSO will meet at the church at 4 p.m. or at Prather by 4:45 p.m. to ride on the float. Everyone is welcome to join us. The CSO is also hosting a living rosary to pray for an end to abortion. Come join us Sunday at 3 p.m. at the Riverbank Stage. For any information call Amy Dowden at 352-2615 or email to amyburson@hotmail.com.

BAPTIST COLLEGIATE MINISTRY

The BCM will have Wednesday night worship at the BCM, across the street from Watson Library, every Wednesday night. The worship begins at 8:31 p.m. All students are welcome to attend. For more information call the BCM at 352-5464.

CIRCLE K INTERNATIONAL

Circle K International invites you to its meetings every Tuesday night at 8:30 p.m. in room 320 of the Student Union. For more information call Jessica at 357-5974.

LADY OF THE BRACELET

Any woman interested in being a participant in the 2002 Miss Lady of the Bracelet pageant should go by room 214 of the Student Union to pick up a scholarship application. There will be an informational meeting Wednesday in the President's Room of the Student Union.

ON CAMPUS INTERVIEWS

The following companies will conduct on campus interviews for junior or senior business, marketing or management majors in October: Sherwin Williams - Wednesday from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. in room 305 of the Student Union; TXU Electric - EET majors October 23 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Interested students in an interview should come with a resume and transcript.

FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN ATHLETES

FCA will be having its weekly fellowship every Tuesday night. The meetings are held in the athletic field house on the south end of Turpin Stadium at 8 p.m. There will be a devotional speaker each week. Everyone is welcome to come and join us in praise.

PHI BETA LAMBDA

Phi Beta Lambda (PBL) is having its informational meeting Wednesday at noon in room 213 of Russell Hall. Anyone interested in attending the meeting is welcome.

COUNSELING AND CAREER SERVICES

The following companies have sent correspondence to CCS informing us of current position openings: KTBS Shreveport-local sales account executive, NSU Printing-Printer I, NSU Shreveport Nursing-Secretary I. Come by room 305 of the Student Union for additional information.

SPANISH CLUB

The Spanish Club would like to invite potential members to its weekly meetings, every Wednesday at 3 p.m. in room 331 of Kyser Hall.

NSU CLUB SOCCER

NSU Club Soccer invites anyone who is interested in playing club soccer to their practices which are held behind Watson library at 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday and Sunday.

ARGUS

The new editions of *Argus*, the NSU literary and art magazine, are ready and can be picked up for free in room 335 of Kyser hall.

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BCM sponsors "Shak-a-thon"; donations reach $2,800

By Mindy Mixon
Sauce Reporter

"Shak-a-thon" - the mere word conjures up fantasies in the minds of most college students. But this annual "Shak-a-thon" is different. The Baptist College Ministry hosts the event to raise awareness for homelessness while funding money for mission projects.

Last Saturday, sixty-two students piled in nine shacks, made from various raw materials like pallets to sawmill slabs to cardboard boxes. Some even came furnished with televisions plucked off the side of the road.

"It was a team building experience as well as an ecology one," Bill Collins said. "This is truly a multi-faceted event. We go around town picking up peoples junk, make the shacks, then the shacks are used to light the Homecoming bonfire."

This year the "Shak-a-thon" coincided with a cold front that swept through the town of Natchitoches, taking the roofs off most of the shacks in the process.



Photo by Rachael Kidd
Mandi Johnson, a brave "shacker," weathered the storm in last Saturday's "Shak-a-thon." The BCM sponsored event collected over $2,800 in donations.

"The wind ripped the roofs off," Paul Endris, a BCM "Shak-a-thon" participant said. "Then the rain caved the roofs in."

Eventually the drenched students took comfort in the BCM, unlike their counterparts would be able to do.

"During a rainstorm like we experienced, a homeless person would be forced to find a bridge of some sort," Endris said.

The fundraiser, however, was still a success, raising over $2800.

"We don't publicize the event much, but we're finding out that the event is catching on in Natchitoches," Collins said.

Moreover, those who participate are never quite the same.

"I most definitely have a new appreciation for what I possess," Endris confessed. "I'm also not as quick to judge those who are homeless. At one time, my initial reaction would have been to get off the streets and get a job. Now, I have more compassion."

"With the recent terrorist attacks on New York City, many people have suddenly found themselves without a home," Rachel Barbo, Baptist Collegiate President, said. "People don't choose to be homeless."

Webb speaks on Homecoming traditions

By Kira Gervais and Elona Boggs
Sauce Staff

Homecoming means tradition to most schools and universities. It's a time for students of old and new to gather and watch football while reminiscing about their college days of yesteryear.

NSU President Randall J. Webb said at Northwestern State University, it is tradition that brings people back to Natchitoches and the campus.

"Obviously, it's the parade, the court and the football," he said.

Peggy Guess, a 1960 NSU graduate, said she remembers students looking forward to Homecoming. She said even her professors got in on the Homecoming fun.

"I was a home economics major, and our teacher for our tailoring class set up our assignment in the fall so that we would have to make our homecoming suits," Guess said. "Homecoming was always in October, and it was always hot, but we wore them anyway."

Both Guess and Webb have watched NSU grow, and with that growth, they said some traditions have changed. Webb said when he was a student at NSU, all of the Homecoming events were held at Varnado Hall.

"There has been a change in facilities," he said.

"We have started a new tradition," he said.

In recent years, the NSU band has started a new tradition. Bill Brent, director of bands, said five years ago, an alumni band was started. They play along with current members at the game.

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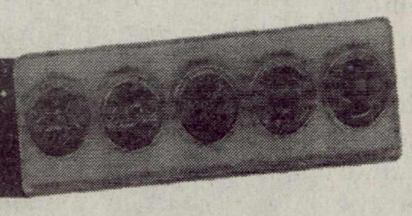
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Letter to the editor

Student questions worthiness of funding for homecoming elections

Matt Bailey
NSU Sophomore

There has been a call for a review of the election system regarding the homecoming court at NSU.

Some students believe that our current system does not allow for fair minority representation on the court. I think we have other problems as well.

First of all, I was told that of the approximately 7,000 students that attend class on this campus, only about 900 voted in the election. That is approximately 13% of the student body who cared enough to vote. So if only 900 voted, that means to have won with a majority would mean getting 500-600 votes.

I do not see how being on the court is in any way an honor for those elected by approximately 10% of their fellow students. How representative is the court of the entire campus, 6,000 of which didn't even vote?

I would like to know how much the university is dishing out for the court this year and how much of that I paid for with my fees.

I would also like to know how much it costs to rent the voting machines and conduct an election on campus.

I do not see a point in having a university-funded election if the majority of the students do not care enough to vote.

The numbers in this election reveal that most students do not care who is elected to the homecoming court, and I would predict that, if asked, at least 65% would confess to being totally apathetic towards the idea of a homecoming court.

I for one would prefer my percentage of the funding to go towards something more worthwhile, such as new parking lot construction.

Those few students who feel it is necessary to continue the popularity contest of the homecoming court could raise funds and sponsor the election of their friends.

Going back to the original complaint, I would like to pose more questions. In a democratic election, where everything is supposed to be fair and representative of the voters, how can it be possible to place rules on who must be elected? If a minority group want a minority elected, I say get the votes. In an election with a 13% turnout, a lack of representation seems to be due to a lack of votes.

Before I close, I would like to talk a little about interests and money. I think those who control activities, elections, and decision-making should work to be more responsive of the real needs of the student majority. To balance our meager funds in a manner more representative of all students' interests, not just those who are involved with student activities and Greek life, should be a goal as well.

A system should be developed through which judgments regarding funding can be made.

In cases where little student interest is shown, funding should be the responsibility of those involved and not the University itself or the students.

In closing, I would like to suggest that everyone take a look around and not be afraid to question what is going on. I would love to learn about the opinions of other students concerning these matters.

Don't forget that we are paying to go to college here at Northwestern State University, where the students come first.

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Letter to the editor

No one cares about signs around campus

Tasha Nicole Braggs
Sophomore

Obviously, you must not have had anything better to write about than the signs you see around campus.

There are so many other issues that need your attention, for example homecoming or SGA, but you chose to pick on signs that express how much Tri-Sigma or any other organization appreciates certain individuals.

Quite frankly no one really cares anyway! Now I am not trying to burst your bubble Mr. Hill, but everyone does NOT have to think you rock! In the real world of newspapers, you and your staff would probably be loved and HATED by all.

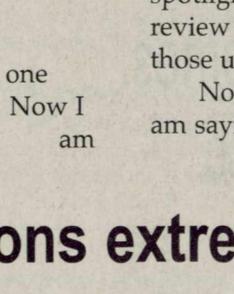
As far as making others celebrities for a week, I feel that can be argued. From what I have seen, most of these people you spotlight as CELEBRITIES are in briefs. The sauce never fails to spotlight a page, have long review of SGA minutes or run those unusual cartoons.

Now do not take what I am saying out of contexts. I will admit that the *Sauce* does cover spectacular stories, for example the New York and D.C. story, but the other people may not agree. You have to understand that our fees help to pay for this paper and it should be enough appreciation that we pick one up each week.

Mr. Hill, I would like you to think about some of the things that you write in your editorials. Do you honestly think that we as a student body think about the signs around campus? We want you to make us think, and not be completely bored to

Editor's Take

SGA actions extremely "childish"; Current Sauce plans to end "silly cat fight"



Rondray Hill
Editor's Take

I'd like to congratulate the members of this year's homecoming court on being elected to their positions.

I would also like to wish the Demons good luck in Saturday's game against Nicholls.

I wish I could spend more time talking about the homecoming events, something I planned on writing about this week. But the actions by the NSU Student Government Association have put my thoughts on hold.

Over the past semester, your student government association has managed to smear Watson Library and tried to embarrass the faculty of NSU. Not only that, they've tried, unsuccessfully, to harass the staff members of the *Current Sauce* and attempt to railroad our operations.

I would like to let the readers know that this operation by the SGA has been going on for months. And on each occasion, the members of the Current Sauce have maintained the high road throughout this entire ordeal. For that, I am very proud.

But it seems members of the SGA would like to get involved in some sort of semester-long cat fight in order to keep their names in the headlines.

SGA senator Jeremy Henriques decided to write legislation that would require *Current Sauce* reporters to tape all interviews and give them to the SGA to keep on file.

Not only unconstitutional, Henriques' behavior is

Letter to the editor

SGA Vice President responds to Homecoming court lacks minorities

Dustin Matthews
Junior, SGA Vice President

This article is in regards to the entry in last weeks Current Sauce entitled, Homecoming court lacks minorities. As a member of the 2001 homecoming court, this article particularly interests me.

First of all, it is unbelievable to me that every single issue at Northwestern must be looked upon with a racial point of view. I am in no way a racist, and I hate when someone insists on turning a simple matter into a racial issue.

It is in no way the intention of this university to deny any minority their proper representation.

As for the fact that Mr. Addison does not believe that none of the nine black female nominees were elected, the voting polls do not lie. It was clearly stated in last weeks article that this university is made up of well over 2,000 black students.

There were only about 600 votes cast in this year's election.

If only one-forth of the black population would have voted for the black female nominees, none of them would have had a problem being elected on the court.

As far as the statement about Bo Wellborn "helping" students vote, I clearly understand your complaint.

As a student of Northwestern, Mr. Addison, you should have said something to Bo or one of the individuals administering the election.

It is your right as a student to contest any election you feel to be unconstitutional. Also, I don't know of any student who had a misconception that you had to vote for ten nominees.

Secondly, Mr. Addison, the "invisible" election committee that was referred to in your article is extremely visible to anyone that wishes to see it.

This committee is chosen within the Student Government Association senate. ALL senators are asked if they would like to serve on this committee, and there are plenty of black students in the SGA. I assure you the opportunity is there.

As for the comment, "In a political election, not all of the people working the polls are white," not all of the people working the Northwestern polls were white either.

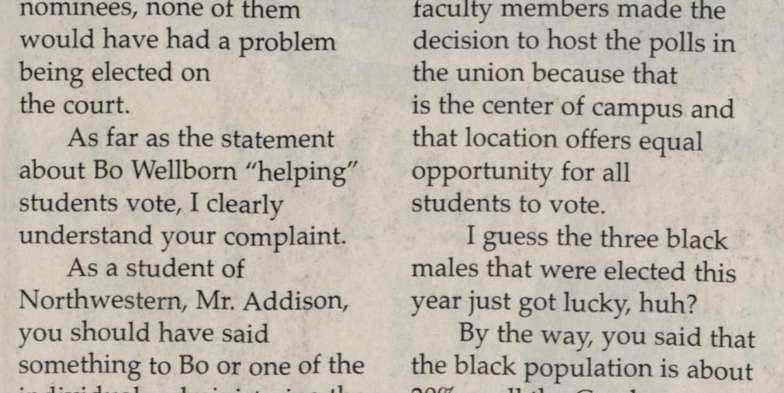
Each member of the SGA, excluding those individuals who are participating in the election, are required to work the polls for at least one hour for every day of the election. There were a number of black students working the polls this year.

Thirdly, the decision made to only host the polls in the student union was made last year.

I assure you that the election board as well as faculty members made the decision to host the polls in the union because that is the center of campus and that location offers equal opportunity for all students to vote.

I guess the three black males that were elected this year just got lucky, huh?

By the way, you said that the black population is about 20%; well the Greek population is only about 13%. (And that includes predominantly black organizations too.)



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Kristen Dauzat,
Opinions Editor

childish and unacceptable of a representative of NSU. I would remember that come election time.

But his actions are representative of a large portion of the SGA. Senators have tried to pass, almost at will, legislation that is vague, shallow, unresearched and vindictive to groups. During the year, your SGA has tried to freeze Current Sauce funds and require editors to maintain office hours. If senators had done their research, they would have known that all student media editors have been keeping hours since the first day of school.

Henriques' legislation basically blaming Watson Library for disk corruption was done without even asking for support from the library. Watson library employees have done test after test that proves their security systems are working.

In short, the SGA has started this fight, but the *Current Sauce* is ending it.

As of now, I am placing a moratorium on all letters to the editor from any SGA senator dealing with a *Current Sauce*/SGA problem. They decided not to go through the proper channels in explaining themselves, so they no longer have any channels. We will continue to give them fair and balanced coverage, but if the SGA wants to make headlines, they better do it the right way.

Also, you will no longer see the SGA minutes in the *Sauce*. For the past years, editors have been running the minutes as a service to the SGA. That will no longer happen. We will post the minutes online at www.currentsauce.com. We will also continue to send a reporter to meetings to make sure the SGA does not half step this year.

Your SGA seems bent on continuing a stupid war of words between them and the *Sauce*. The Current Sauce has no such desire. The issue is dead.

You can quote me on that.

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Letter to the editor

Kyser Hall's mens restroom stalls need doors

Shane Erath

At last, I have found the hidden motive behind the "turdicious" Phantom Pooper's attacks. It is obvious to this writer why the Rapides dorm is being plagued by this dilemma; obviously, the Pooper was too ashamed to use the door-less stalls in Kyser Hall!

Innocently wandering to his classes, the Phantom Pooper suddenly heard the blaring sirens of nature calling, and because the stalls of the Kyser Hall men's bathrooms lack doors, he was much too embarrassed to go there. Consequently, dropping his backpack and forgetting the math test he was about to take, he sprinted down the stairwell from the third floor, jetting across campus to Rapides dorm. Sadly, he was not fast enough to make it all the way from Kyser to the Rapides bathroom an only made it as far as the showers. Hence, the repeated messes in the shower.

Now, this scenario might be a bit absurd, but it does bring to mind a valuable point—the lack of doors in Kyser Hall's bathrooms. Perhaps my memory is failing me, but I seem to remember something in the Constitution about American citizens having a right of privacy, and the fact that our university administration doesn't respect that rather offends me. I'm sure I'm not the only person who is irked by the lack of stall doors in the bathrooms, either.

What point am I trying to make? I guess, if the NSU administration really wants to stop the plague of the Phantom Pooper, they should give students a more private place than the dorm showers to do their business.

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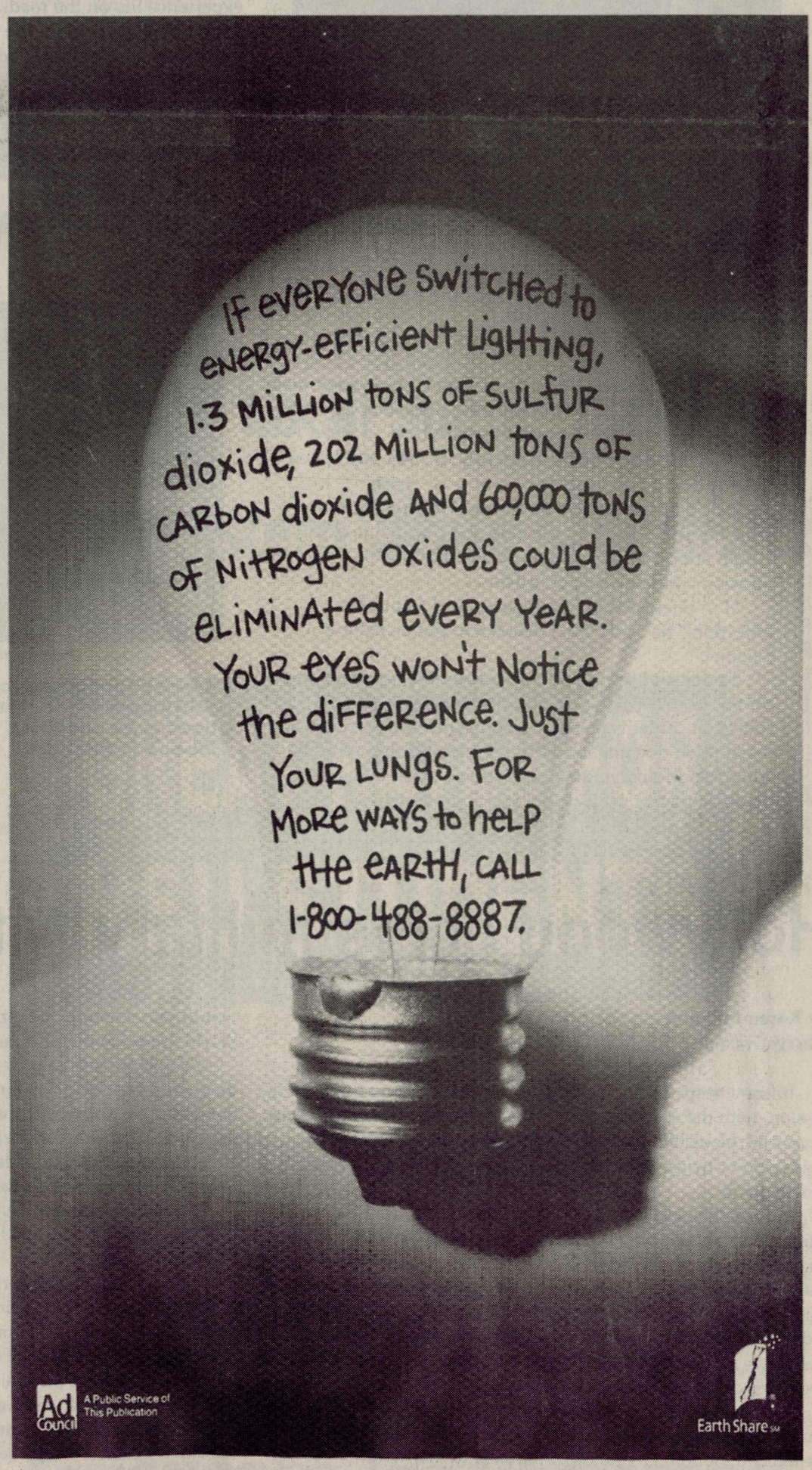


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95-year-old has had same stadium seats for 50 years

By Elona Boggs
Life Editor

For more than 50 years, at every Northwestern State University home football game, 95-year-old Rena Buckley has sat in Section G, Row M, seats seven and eight.

Her husband sat in one of those seats until he died in 1977. After his death, Buckley continued her tradition, and attended NSU games without him. She gave her extra ticket to a family member.

Buckley, an NSU graduate, first attended the university, then called Normal, in 1929. She went a few years, and quit to teach. She married in 1932, and didn't return to complete her degree until about 15 years later.

"I went back after I married, and after that, taught for about 19 years," she said.

Buckley said she can't remember much about the college, but can remember how friendly students were. From her trips to football games, Buckley said she's noticed how little this has changed.

"Back then, the students were friendly," she said. "It seems like students are as friendly with each other now."

Buckley doesn't miss many games.

"I go to about every game I can go to," she said. "I went one Saturday night, and it was cold, cold weather. I came home and said 'If it's that cold next time, don't say game to me.'"

Getting to the games can be a challenge for Buckley, who is frail from age. She uses a walker to get around. She said her family helps her up the stadium in a wheelchair. With their help and the help of the elevator, she goes up the steps and is able to watch the game from her beloved seats.

Buckley refuses to let her age keep her from her seats.

"I don't want somebody else to take those seats," she said.

On Saturday, Buckley will be in her seats in Section G, Row M. She'll be watching her Alma Mater, and hoping for another Homecoming victory.

As for the game, Buckley hasn't decided whom she'll give her extra ticket to.



Photo by Racheal Kidd/Current Sauce

Rena Buckley, 95, has attended Northwestern State University football games for more than 50 years. For those years, she has sat in the same stadium seat - Section G, Row M, seats seven and eight.

In Perspective

Motorcycle Club subject of exhibit

1948 club is documented with photos, souvenirs and articles



Photo courtesy of Cammie G. Henry Research Center

Three club members pose for a photo along with their bikes, Several photos like this are included in the H.G. Hawthorne Collection. They document the club's history, and some events the members participated in.

By Elona Boggs
Life Editor

The Natchitoches Motorcycle Club is showcased in an exhibit in the NSU Cammie G. Henry Research Center in the Eugene P. Watson Library this month.

The club was established in July of 1948, and lasted for only about two years.

Dale Sauter, assistant archivist at the library, found some information about the club and decided to do an exhibit after finding a small collection of photos, souvenirs and newspaper articles.

"I'm interested in motorcycles, and found the collection," he said. "So, I decided to put an exhibit together."

Sauter said records of the club and its activities are contained in the H.G. Hawthorne Collection. This collection contains member records, meeting minutes and registration documents certifying membership with the American Motorcyclists Association (AMA), a national organization for cyclists that is still in existence.

Most members were residents of Natchitoches, and one was an NSU student.

"I found four or five original members and am in the process of interviewing them," Sauter said. "After that, I'll have more information to add to the collection."

Despite its short existence, club members got to experience life on the road. They documented their road adventures throughout the South, by collecting the numerous photographs and memorabilia that can be seen in the exhibit.

"They did regional routes," Sauter said. "From photographs and souvenirs, I can tell they did races in New Orleans a lot and races in Texas."

Some photographs are of a visit to Daytona for the 1949 Annual Bike Week.

"That was a pretty big deal for back then," Sauter said.

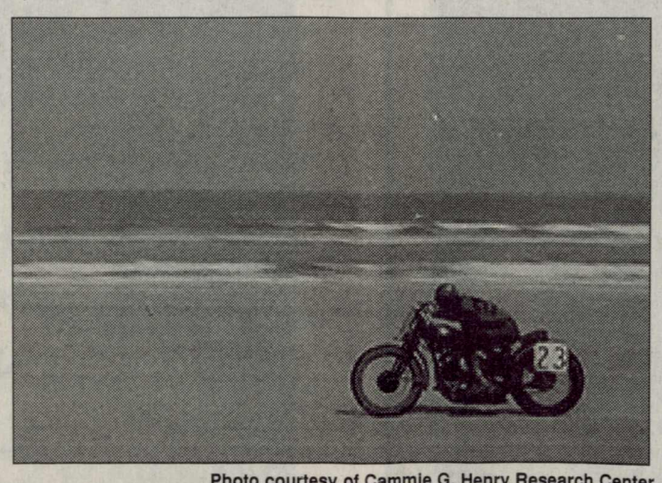


Photo courtesy of Cammie G. Henry Research Center

A member rides on the beach of Daytona, Florida during the 1949 Annual Bike Week. The club took a trip to Daytona Beach, for the celebration. The collection contains several souvenirs from the event.

Alcohol Awareness Week recognized

By Dominique Irvin
Sauce Reporter

In an effort to educate students about the dangers of alcohol and drugs, NSU Residential Life sponsored Alcohol and Drug Awareness Week last week. This week, Oct. 15-19, is National Alcohol Awareness Week, but due to Homecoming events, NSU held awareness events a week early.

Woody Blair, director of residential life, said the purpose of the events were to inform students of the potential dangers of alcohol consumption.

"That's all we're trying to do," Blair said. "...make sure students know the consequences of poor decisions, especially after you've had a few beers."

Last week's events took place in all of the campus dormitories. There, residents played games like Twister, Bingo, Trivial Pursuit and football for monetary prizes. Afterward, speakers from the District Attorney's office, Health Services and the Governor's Counsel for Abstinence gave presentations in an effort to combat problems associated with alcohol.

Those who attended said they had fun, and also learned a lesson.

"It was a nice thing for our residential halls," said Alishia Scott, Sabine resident. "They need to do more."

On Thursday, an Alcohol Awareness carnival was held in the Student Union Ballroom. Game winners from the dorms competed for championship titles. In addition, there was a non-alcoholic bar, and students had the chance to win door prizes. Leah Lentz, from Counseling and Career Services was the guest speaker.

Student Candace Sylvain said she had fun at the carnival.

"It was nice," Sylvain said. "I won $25."

Alcohol awareness events are held annually, through the Residential Life program.

Facts about alcohol:

* 1 in every 10 American women in peak reproductive years (18-24) drinks
* 1/3 of alcoholic deaths are from suicides or accidents such as drownings.
* Only 14 percent of deaths actually caused by alcoholism are so labeled.
*As many as 3 million Americans over the age of 60 are alcoholics or have serious drinking problems

Hollywood helps military with war plans, futuristic designs

by Karen Brandon
Chicago Tribune

In some respects the meeting was just another brainstorming session, with the entertainment industry's creative minds trying to concoct plausible, yet unexpected, disaster scenarios - the kinds of plot twists that drive the action and disaster terrorist movie genre.

But over the last two weeks, a group drawn from Hollywood's talent pool has begun imagining what possible terrorist attacks could befall the nation next, not for the sake of entertainment, but for the sake of national security. The group, comprised of what is said to be fewer than 100 entertainment industry representatives volunteering for the job, was convened at Army's request to help the military "think out of the box" about terrorism and how to respond.

The idea of tapping fiction writers to dream up the possible parameters of terrorism, a move that once might have seemed far-fetched, no longer sounds outlandish to many.

Before Sept. 11, who would have imagined that hijackers would pilot commercial airliners in coordinated attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon?

"The hope was that by tapping into this creativity, maybe they would come up with new ideas," said Richard Lindheim, the executive director of the research center that assembled the group, the Institute for Creative Technologies, an unusual collaboration combining elements of Hollywood and Silicon Valley, the military and academia.

Following multiple, five-hour sessions he described as intense, Lindheim declined to detail any of the scenes imagined by participants.

"I think you can understand that if I discussed the content, the value of it would be diminished," he said.

Such sessions, which may continue if they prove valuable, represent only one facet of the collaborative work at the institute, created at the University of Southern California two years ago with a $45 million investment from the Army. The institute was conceived after a report from the National Research Council, which serves as an independent adviser to the government on scientific and technical questions of national importance, called for defense and entertainment industries to collaborate on simulation technology.

From futuristic offices designed by Herman Zimmerman, the production designer for five "Star Trek" films and the television series, "Star Trek: The Next Generation," participants essentially are combining their eclectic skills to create "virtual battlefields," capable of changing with the touch of buttons. When completed, these simulations will present soldiers with realistic training for the kinds of situations they may encounter in the new missions that the military faces.

The institute's creative resources also have been called upon to brainstorm about the next generation of military vehicles, the design of "smarter" military uniforms, and, most recently, the next wave of potential terrorist actions.

This is not the first time Hollywood has been recruited for war. During World War II, the entertainment industry was enlisted for government propaganda, with famed director Frank Capra, for instance, making a series of movies for the War Department.

Juvenile coming to Natchitoches

By Elona Boggs
Life Editor

New Orleans' rap veteran, Juvenile, will be visiting Natchitoches on Friday, performing a live concert at Ben Johnson Auditorium on Martin Luther King Drive.

The event, sponsored by Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity, costs $25 a ticket. Ju'Juan Allen, senior advisor for APA, said they are expecting anywhere from 3000 to 5000 people.

"We are expecting to draw people from Many, Alexandria and Shreveport. We have even heard of people coming from Monroe," he said.

Allen said the idea of getting Juvenile was conceived because of the lack of weekend Homecoming events for students.

"In years past , Northwestern really hasn't had any big events for Homecoming, on the weekend," he said. "Other schools in the state usually have something like this."

Allen said after speaking with some contacts in the Natchitoches community, the idea became a reality.

"We spoke to some people in the Natchitoches community who knew someone who knew someone and got in touch with some big time artists," he said. "We decided to bring in Juvenile because he has a big hit single out right now, and he is very popular in local clubs here in Natchitoches."

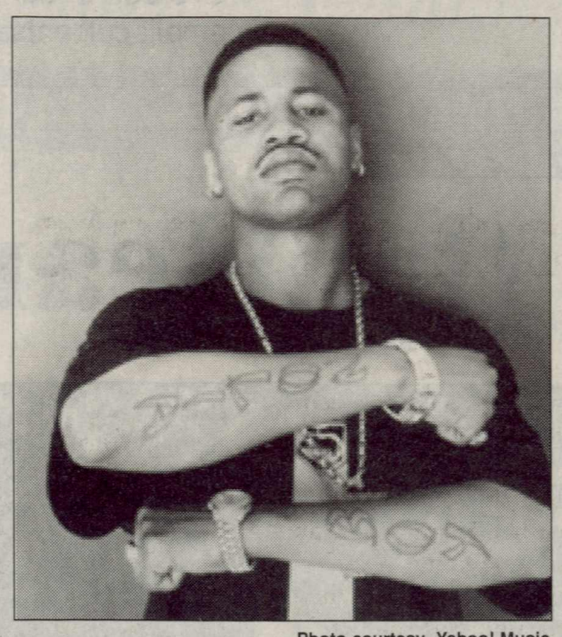


Photo courtesy Yahoo! Music

The concert is sponsored by area Conoco stores.

"They came to us with the idea to help them promote it, and get it out in the community and get the students involved," Allen said.

Allen said Juvenile is taking the opportunity to reach his small-town fans.

"He's used to playing to large crowds, so this will be a change for him," he said.

Juvenile, whose real name is Terius Gray, began rapping at an early age. His career started in the rap trio 3Grand. In 1995, he went solo and has gained global popularity since. Juvenile's recent successes with singles, "Ha" and "Back That Ass Up," have made him well known.

The concert begins at 9 p.m., on Friday night at the Ben Johnson Auditorium in Natchitoches. Those attending can pay their $25 entry fee at the door. Those attending are advised to arrive early to ensure seating and viewing areas.

Band's name suddenly scarier than intended

By Howard Cohen
Knight Ridder Newspapers

Selecting a tasteless name is one of the main joys of being a hard rock band, it seems. Megadeth, anyone?

But when your band's name is Anthrax, and when exposure to the deadly anthrax bacteria has been confirmed in an atmosphere of post-attack fear, there is unusual cause for concern.

The fear of biological warfare against the United States is a major topic of conversation, and several cases of exposure have been confirmed at the Palm Beach County publishing house American Media. And suddenly, "Anthrax" seems to some like too awful a name even for a metal band.

On its Web site (www.anthrax.com), the band is responding, although in a tongue-in-cheek way. "In light of current events, we are changing the name of the band to something more friendly - Basket Full Of Puppies," members wrote in a posting on the site. "Actually, just the fact that we are making jokes about our name sucks."

Anthrax, formed in New York 20 years ago, released its first album in 1983, with a name that fit the speed-metal music it played perfectly.

But when everyone said America would never be the same after Sept. 11, they weren't kidding. Anthrax, a group that has more or less flown under the radar since shifting tastes in the `90s relegated its brand of music to cult status, is suddenly under the spotlight again - but not to its delight.

"In the 20 years we've been known as Anthrax, we never thought the day would come that our name would actually mean what it really means," founding guitarist Scott Ian writes on the site. "When I learned about anthrax in my senior year biology class, I thought the name sounded `metal.' `Anthrax' sounded cool, aggressive, and nobody knew what it was. Even our album, "Spreading the Disease," was just a play on the name. We were spreading our music to the masses.

"Before the tragedy of September 11 the only thing scary about Anthrax was our bad hair in the `80s and the "Fistful Of Metal" album cover. Most people associated the name Anthrax with the band, not the germ.



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Drew Barrymore plays a 15-year-old pregnant girl who reinvents herself in Riding In Cars With Boys, opening on Friday.

Opening in Theaters this weekend

Drew Barrymore rides with boys, Johnny Depp investigates

By Chris Vognar
The Dallas Morning News

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FROM HELL - The Hughes Bros. leave inner-city America for inner-city London in this bloody tale of Jack the Ripper. Johnny Depp stars as an opium smoking investigator. Based on the graphic novel of the same name.

THE LAST CASTLE - What if Tony Soprano were an evil prison warden? Find out in this drama that pits James Gandolfini's baddie against Robert Redford's convict hero.

MULHOLLAND DRIVE - David Lynch returns to surrealist form in a story of love, betrayal, and alternative realities in Los Angeles. It may be his strongest film since "Blue Velvet."

RIDING IN CARS WITH BOYS - Drew Barrymore looks more charming than ever as a single mother dealing with the aftermath of a failed marriage.

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Homecoming 2001

Home is where the Heart is

Homecoming of 2000 went down as one of the best ever

This year's homecoming battle between the Demons and the Nicholls State Colonels has a tough act to follow.

Last year's homecoming game ranks as one of the most exciting and thrilling homecoming contests ever played in NSU history.

14,586 fans were standing in their seats.

None of them left when the Demons jumped out to a 20-7 lead at halftime. It was homecoming last year, when the Demons played host to McNeese.

Those 14,586 fans saw the Cowboys make a game out of it, scoring 27 points in the final two quarters of play, making the score 34-27.

Head coach Steve Roberts, who was in his first year as Demon head coach, saw the Demons down by a touchdown with 2:01 left to play.

"It was a great atmosphere," Roberts said. "One of the things you learn about a place is that people care. You could tell that homecoming and the role the game played in it was important."

Ben Beach took over from the deep in NSU territory. He took over at the Demon 35 to be exact. The drive took only 1:18 to complete, but when the drive was over, the score was tied 34-34. Beach needed only seven plays before hitting Sean Weber from four yards out to tie the game.

It was at that point where things turned.

Most of the crowd was looking for a squib kick of some kind on the ensuing kickoff. The squib kick takes away many of the opportunities to have a good return on the kickoff. The plan was to squib kick the ball down the center of the field, run the clock out and play for overtime.

"It wasn't an onside kick. We squib-kicked the ball so there was less of a chance for a return," Roberts said. " The ball has to go through so many players. We kicked it off and Traymain Madison was able to strip the ball."

Madison's fumble recovery set the Demons up for one of the most dramatic kicks in NSU history. Three plays and :39 seconds later, Clint Sanford lined up to hit a 39-yard field goal to give the Demons an improbable, and heart stopping ending to a great game.

The same 14,586 fans, the ones who hadn't left early, cheered wildly, and a celebration ensued on the field.

The Demons gained 340 yards on total offense. The Cowboys had 425. The Demons had only one more rushing yard (95) than the Cowboys (94) did.

They also only had three more points than McNeese did.



The scene is still fresh on the minds of many students and NSU fans. Nearly 15,000 Demon fans paced Turpin Stadium as the Demons battled McNeese.

Photo by Gary Hardamon

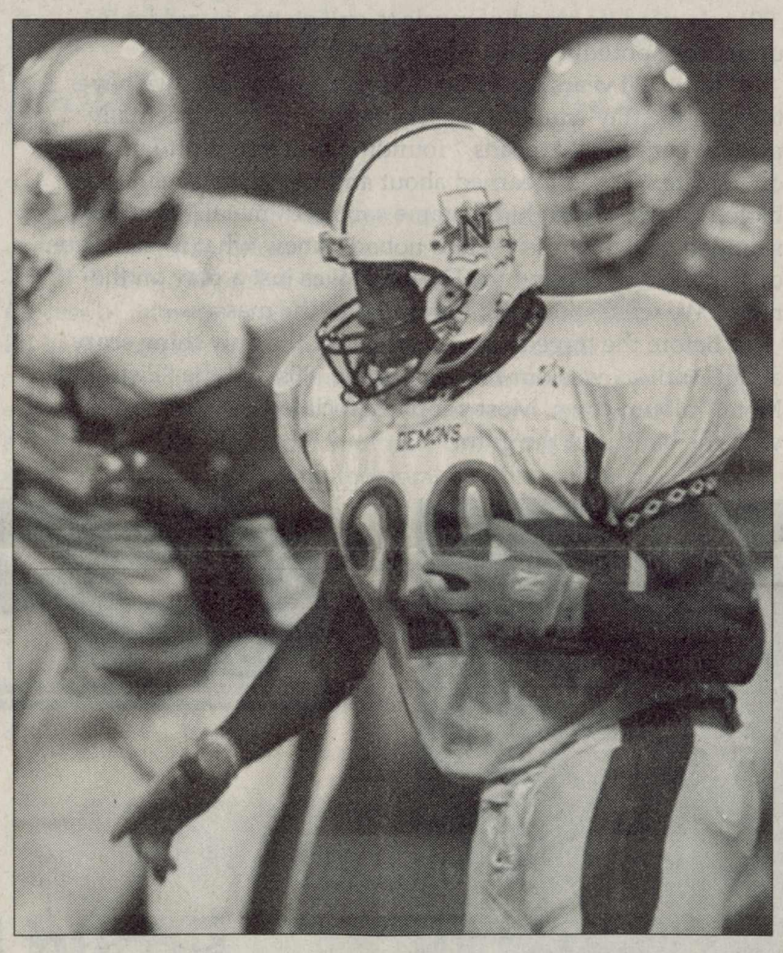


Photo by Gary Hardamon

Tailback Jeremy Lofton is having a break out season for the Demons.

Demons ready to face "much improved Nicholls State

By Rondray Hill
Editor

Home, sweet home.

Home, sweet homecoming.

This year's homecoming theme couldn't have fit better for a Demon squad that has played five of its first six games on the road. It truly has been a season where the Demons are "on tour."

It's going to be great getting back home," said NSU head coach Steve Roberts. "Our guys were already getting excited about playing at home while they were packing their bags to head back here after the Elon game."

After five straight road games, the Demons (4-2, 0-1) will play hosts to the Nicholls State Colonels in the first game of a two game homestand. The Demons hope that their 24-6 win last week versus Elon will help springboard them back into Southland conference action.

"We've been very successful at home," Roberts said. "The players take a lot of pride out of going out there."

The Demons moved up three spots in the Sports Network Top 25 poll to No. 17. NSU held Phoenix to only 180 yards of total offense.

NSU will once again depend on back up QB Kevin Magee to step in for injured starter Craig Nall. Magee performed well last week, leading the Demons on an 80-scoring drive in

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Back in Black

This week, *The Current Sauce* spent a little time with one of NSU's favorite coaches; Coach Black

By Rondray Hill
Editor

Assistant basketball coach Mark Slessinger is at a volleyball game Wednesday night. He knows that one of the best coaches in the NSU program, Coach Black, is being interviewed by the Editor of the *Current Sauce*.

So, Slessigner drops in one of his favorite stories about Coach Black.

"It's the Southland Conference tournament, the championship game," said Slessinger. "There's a minute left in the game. It's a critical time out. Black is sitting behind me with, holding the chalkboard."

Slessinger gets more animated as he tells the story.

"Black hands the chalkboard over to coach McConathy. He then looks at coach McConathy and says 'we got it, coach."

At, that point, Slessinger said the basketball coach "had a rush of calm come over him."

"That quote by Coach Black got us into the tournament."

Then, Coach Black flashes his bling, bling. It's silver-plated watch given to all players who make it to the NCAA tournament.

"Show off the watch, Black," Slessinger said.

Actually, his name is Harris Wilson. But you can call him Coach Black. He's 24. He has Autism. But he also has the ability to remember just about anything related to NSU sports.

"Black is single-handedly responsible for signing all the basketball team's top recruits," Slessinger said. "He's nationwide."

Coach Black is actually from Natchitoches. He's lived here all his life. He got acquainted to NSU by means of former coach Sam Goodwin's son, Jay. The story goes like this; Black would always hang around at Natchitoches Central football practices. After Jay went to NSU, the elder Goodwin basically took him in as an adopted son. In fact, Goodwin gave Harris Wilson his unofficial title as Coach Black.

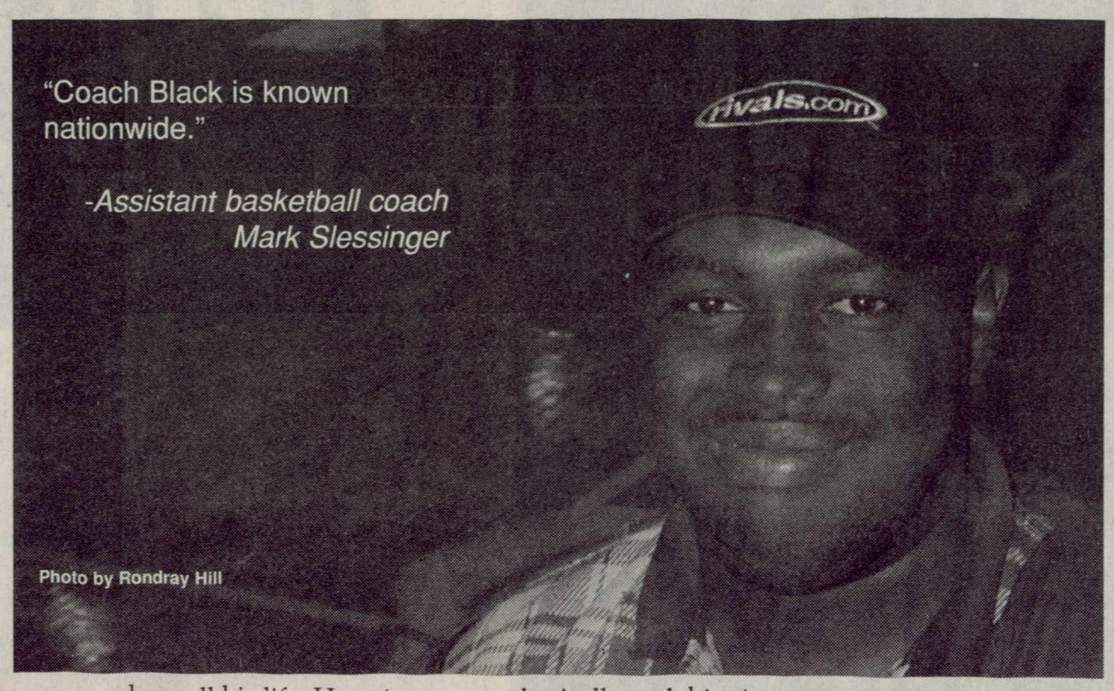


Photo by Rondray Hill

"Coach Black is probably the most informed on any of the athletes here at NSU," said Gerald Long, direct of the NSU Fellowship of Christian Athletes. "He never misses an FCA meeting. And he's so protective of the athletes here. It's kind of like a father-son relationship he has with the kids here."

And it seems that everyone in the Athletic department has a sort of indescribable love for Coach Black.

"Our kids take him home and give him a lot of attention," says Long. "There are three things you have to know about Black. One, he has a huge appetite. He's always ready to eat. Two, He know more about the recruits than any of the coaches do. And three, he has a photogenic memory."

Long would then go into detail about the Brad Peveto story, and to make it short, Coach black remembered the license plate number of coach Peveto without even looking at it.

"It's his ability to remember the most minute detail about the athletes that make them comfortable here," Slessinger said.

And some people have floated around a rumor that Coach Black, if he wanted to, could run for Mayor of Natchitoches. Rumor also has it that if he didn't win the election, he'd sure give Wayne a run for his money.

"I don't know about running for mayor, but he definitely could run for SGA president," Long said. "I know one thing for sure, someone would come in second place and it wouldn't be Black."

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Demon volleyball picks up non-conference home win vs. TSU , 3-1

The Northwestern State volleyball team overcame the loss of two key players to defeat Texas Southern 3-1 Wednesday night at Prather Coliseum.

The Demons (5-14 overall, 1-9 SLC) won despite the loss of sophomore Aime Garcia and freshman Keri Cottle, Garcia to injury and Cottle to sickness. Freshman Shannon Puder and junior Christina Stone picked up the slack for NSU. Puder totaled a match-high 16 kills and added 3 blocks while Stone gave 14 kills and 11 digs for the Demons. Sophomore Cathy Herring had 44 assists while senior Amy Martens led the team in digs with 13.

Texas Southern (10-7 overall) was led by Paige Thompson with 13 kills and 13 digs. Deatra Brandon had a match-high 18 digs while setter Natalia Harmon gave 42 assists in the effort.

Northwestern State won for the second time in the last three games. The Demons continue action when they host SLC foes Texas-Arlington Friday night at 7 p.m. and Sam Houston Saturday night at 7 p.m., both at Prather Coliseum.

Nicholls

the second quarter.

For the second week, the Demons will face a wishbone-style rushing offense. Nicholls run game came close to upsetting No. 16 Sam Houston last week before falling to the Bearkats 35-32. Quarterback Josh Son, who has been averaging 156 yards in his last three games, leads the Colonels.

Although the Colonels are the only unranked team in the Southland conference, Roberts doesn't think that will matter on Saturday.

"It's hard to understand why they're 1-4," Roberts said. "Son makes them tick. He throws the ball a lot better than he did last year."

Punt returner Terrence McGee is coming off a week where he was named conference special teamer of the week. McGee averaged 27 yards on three punt returns, including one that went 70 yards before being called back on a penalty.



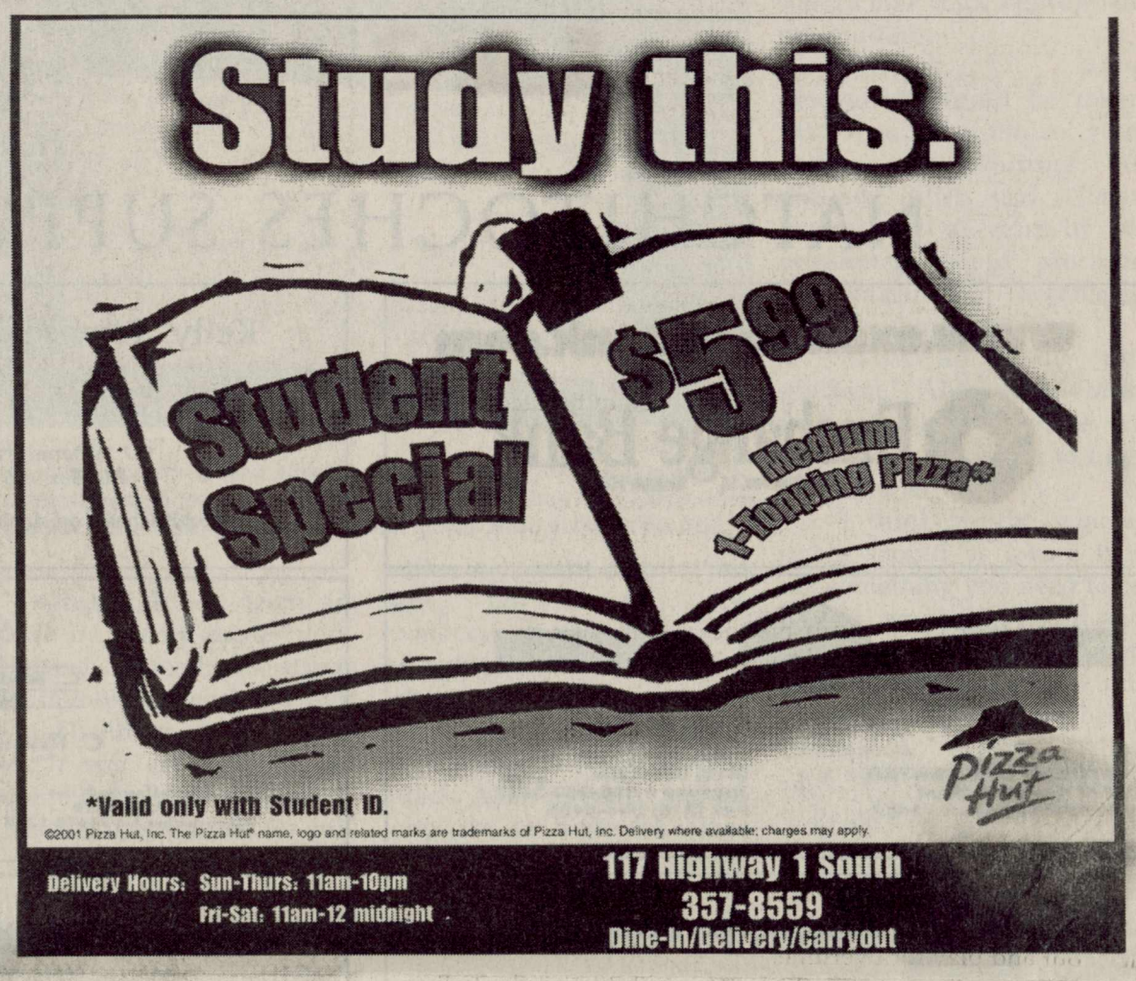


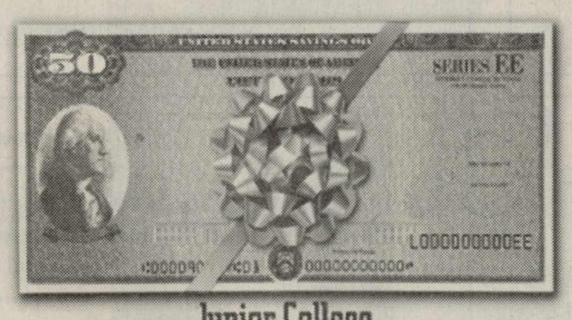
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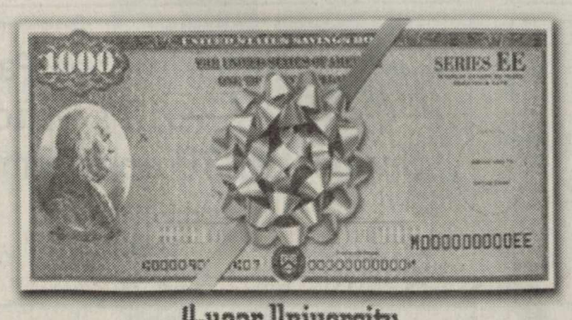
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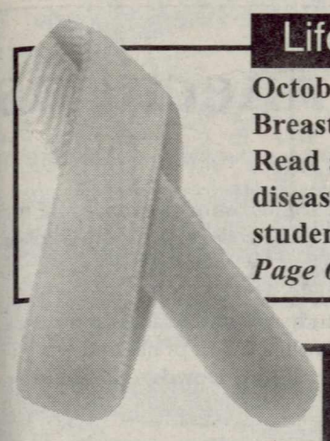
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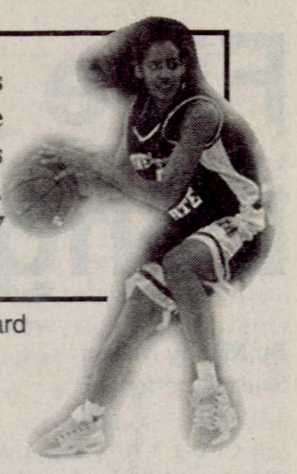
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Lady Demon forward Angela Davidson

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U.S. battles threat of Anthrax

University professor discusses potentiality of Anthrax infection

By Rob Morgan
Sauce Reporter

In a time where hysteria is rampant due to the threat of wide-scale biological warfare, Jerry Allen, professor of biological science, gives students the information on Anthrax.

To start off, what is Anthrax?

"It is a bacteria," Allen said. "It is not difficult to grow, the only part that one might have trouble in would be preparing the spores in a form that would be easily distributed."

"The organism itself is fairly common in soil, particularly in farm areas," Allen said. "They are not killed by sunlight, heat or cold, and they survive very well."

Two of the forms of Anthrax are skin and respiratory infection. The skin infection, which is the infection most likely acquired, is the less serious of the two infections, and the respiratory infection of the bacteria, which begins as flu-like symptoms, is the form that usual leads to death.

"Sending it (Anthrax) through the mail is more likely to induce the cutaneous (skin) form," Allen said. "where you get the lesions on the skin."

"With cutaneous Anthrax, even after the lesions develop, can be treated very effectively," Allen said, "as a matter of fact, many people who develop the cutaneous form—even if not treated—ultimately recover."

"That is usually not the case with the inhaled form. Respiratory Anthrax treatment is not very effective after symptoms of the disease appear."

"Someone with a little background in bacteriology could isolate the organism and then probably grow it," Allen said. "If you are going to grow them and make endo-spores, you have to be able to protect yourself, so you need some expertise and some substantial amount of equipment that most people would not have laying around."

Allen attributes the risk of developing Anthrax relative to the area one is in being in a heavily targeted part of the country.

"For the general population, the fear of it (an attack) is worse than the threat," Allen said. "I doubt seriously you are going to see anything other than sporadic cases."

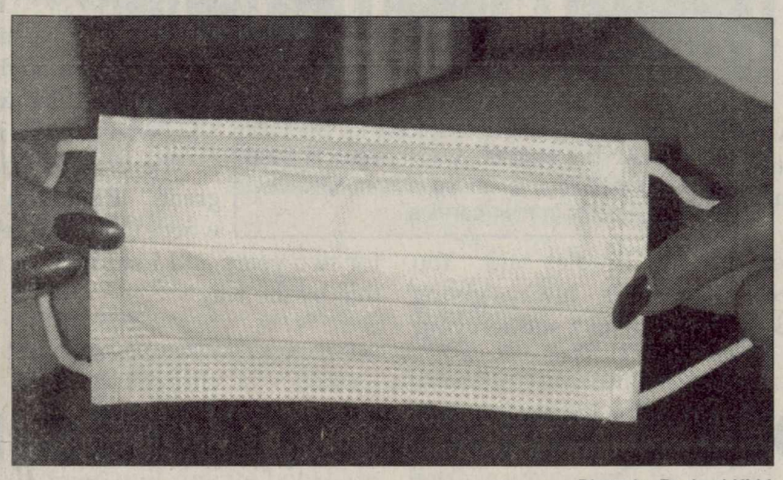


Photo by Rachael Kidd
Not many workers around Natchitoches are taking Anthrax precautions. Postal workers at the downtown branch of Natchitoches Post Office were asked to wear masks (above) and rubber gloves when handling the mail.

Allen did not deem an attack by a crop duster very effective; instead, an attack that involved an enclosed area would be the most successful.

"If you get it (Anthrax) out in the open the air will disperse it, some of it will settle out on the soil," Allen said, "but to get large numbers infected you would probably need to have a relatively enclosed area where a lot of people were present."

Outside of the risk of an attack, Allen considers people who are in high-risk areas should take some appropriate pre-cautions.

"Perhaps some precautions could be taken that would minimize your chances of acquiring the disease." Allen said. "Latex gloves, such as worn by lab personnel, would preclude the entrance of organisms onto the skin of the hand."

"Mask are really not practical," Allen said. "Most of the mask that people are looking are not going to filter out bacteria."

"I think we-the general public-should be aware it is not something you need to be totally complacent about and there is a need to go ahead and exhibit the normal kinds of caution that we are being advised to exhibit," Allen said, "but it is not something to be panicky about."

Local post offices take little action, not concerned about Anthrax risks

By Rob Morgan
Sauce Reporter

As the country struggles with threat of mail order Anthrax the NSU Post Office is confident in its safety from the bacteria.

David Christophe, the coordinator for the University Post Office, believes the lack of "high-profile people" in Natchitoches will be a saving point for the city, but the threat is still alive with the receiving of miss-sent mail.

"We are taking precautions because we get so much mail in here that has been miss-sent," Christophe said. "We get mail everyday for places like California or Washington D.C."

"We are a secondary sorting, they sort it in a federal postal service first," Christophe said. "That is one reason I hope they would catch it before we would, if it is some suspicious item."

Suspicious items include parcels with a lot of postage or odd shape packages.



Photo by Rachael Kidd
Gail Dennis, a Natchitoches rural route carrier, does not think that she is at risk by handling the mail. "I don't feel like it's a real threat to our Natchitoches office...yet," she said.

"I am supposed to report suspicious items to the University police," Christophe said. "Then they notify environmental safety and through the chain of command."

A precaution being taken by the University Post Office is the use of gloves to sort the parcels.

"Everyone is wearing gloves to protect themselves," Christophe said. "We are trying to protect ourselves in case we come across anything." Christophe receives notices and warnings about the current conditions from the post office.

"I receive stuff all the time about how to handle it (suspicious items) and what to look for," Christophe said.

The University Post Office is being careful, but they do not expect anything in respect to the current happenings on the east coast.

"We basically are not to worried about it," Christophe said.

In addition to efforts taken by the University Post Office, the Natchitoches postal system is also making provisions.

Juanitia Traylor, a retail sales associate for the downtown office, said that employees, mainly mail handlers, were also given the option of wearing gloves and masks while handling the mail.

Although given the option, Gail Dennis, a rural route carrier, said "I don't feel it is a real threat to our Natchitoches office...yet."

All Natchitoches postal workers are also required to watch instructional videos on contamination issues.



Photo by Rachael Kidd
Retail sales associates Ed Denny (left) and Juanita Traylor (right) watch a video that warns postal workers of possible Anthrax infected materials.



Illustration by Rachael Kidd; Isabella Photo courtesy of Don Sepulvado
On Halloween night, following the NSU theater's production of *The Tragedy of Frankenstein*, University faculty and students will escort the campus' famous ghost, Isabella, from her current home of Varnado Hall to the newly restored Nelson Hall.

Isabella makes her move

Campus' ghost to be moved to Nelson Hall

By Elona Boggs
Life Editor

Everyone knows who Isabella is. She's the subject of freshman orientation lessons, gets the blame for those bumps in the night on campus and is indisputably the most popular woman on campus.

"Every freshman is taught about Isabella, you might not know who the president is or who your advisor is, but you know who Isabella is," Michelle Meyer, coordinator of the event, said.

Isabella's story is one of lost love. She was a beautiful, French maiden whose lover was killed in a duel. She was so overcome with grief that she killed herself by plunging a dagger in her heart. For years, students believe her spirit has visited several buildings on campus, primarily the Old Women's Gym and Varnado Hall.

On Wednesday, students will have the chance to move the spirit of Isabella from her supposed current home in Varnado Hall, to the newly restored Old Women's Gym, now called Nelson Hall.

The event will start at 10:30 p.m., and will follow the theatre department's production of *The Tragedy of Frankenstein*. Students can meet at three locations: the student union, the IM building or the three columns located in front of Russell Hall. From there, students will light candles and walk to Nelson Hall where the event will begin.

Meyer said that there will be a master of ceremonies who will give a dramatic reading of the history of Isabella, and students from the theatre department will be dressed for the occasion.

"Those participating from the theatre department will be dressed to set the mood," Meyer said. "We also

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Five alumni added to 'The Long Purple Line'

By Mindy Mixon
Sauce Reporter

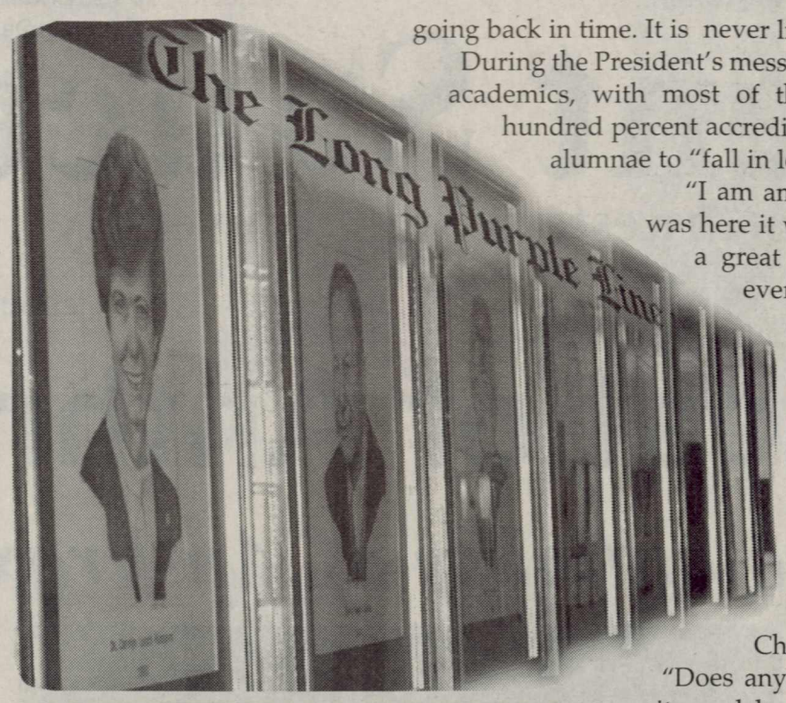


Photo by Rachael Kidd
Last Friday five alumni were elected to 'The Long Purple Line.' The tradition, which began in 1990, provides recognition to those alumni who have accomplishments in their careers.

Northwestern's 'Distinguished Long Purple Line' was established in 1990 to provide recognition to former students whose career accomplishments have been a service to humanity.

To date, 53 people have received this prominent honor, and last Friday at the Alumnae Homecoming Banquet, five others were added to that list. They were Dr. Allen Bonnette, Ed Bradly, Fred Clark, Judge Rebecca Doherty and Jimmy Patterson.

"It is just unbelievable to be honored by your alma mater," Patterson said.

"I've been lucky enough to receive honors in the business world, but to be recognized by your alma mater is unbelievable."

"It is a very surreal, unique experience," Bradley said. "You never picture yourself as far as receiving awards - always giving out awards - it really gets pretty deep down, all of a sudden your going back in time. It is never like you imagine, not at all."

During the President's message, Randall Webb spoke of NSU academics, with most of the emphsis on the recent one hundred percent accreditation approval. Webb urged the alumnae to "fall in love with NSU all over again."

"I am amazed," Patterson said. "When I was here it was a great little school, now it's a great big school. I recommend it to everyone I know coming out of high school."

Three hours later, when the ceremony ended, the old graduates gathered together for a walk down memory lane.

"I remember vividly the time we had an organized demonstration right across the balcony from the student union," Bradley said. "We had Chicago playing in the background "Does anybody know what time it is." It was quite a celebration. I'll always remember that . NSU was good to me."

"The friends that I've made here have been great," Patterson said. "And Northwestern is where I met and fell in love with my wife. I partied for two years and I studied for two years . I don't recommend that by the way."

Media Board recommends meeting between SGA and *Current Sauce*

By Bess Renfrow
Sauce Reporter

In a meeting on Tuesday, the Media Board recommended that Article X, Section 4.5 of the SGA by-laws be reviewed for constitutionality.

The board recommended that the president of the SGA, Rusty Broussard, the editor of *The Current Sauce*, Rondray Hill, and their advisors meet to work out a compromise as to the issue of the minutes of the SGA meetings being printed in the paper.

Hill was served a letter on Monday that notified him of the senate's intent to remove him from the position as editor. The reason cited for removal was violation of Article X, section 4.5 of the SGA by-laws. This section states that "a representative from *The Current Sauce* will attend all student senate meetings, and the minutes of each meeting will be printed in *The Current Sauce*."

Hill was also given a copy of a letter sent to Jerry Pierce, chairman of the Media Board, by Broussard, vice-chairman of the Media Board, that recommended that the Media Board convene as soon as possible to consider the issue and to make a recommendation to the Student Senate. Present at the meeting were Hill, Broussard, members of *The Current Sauce* staff, SGA member, and the members of the Media Board. Hill was given the floor to explain The Current Sauce's position.

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Campus Connections

DISNEY
Disney is giving a presentation about paid internships November 15 at 5 p.m. in Russell Hall Room 107. All majors and college levels are eligible.

CATHOLIC STUDENT ORGANIZATION
The CSO will be having weekly Bible studies every Tuesday at 8 p.m. at the center. Everyone is welcome. There will also be a praise and worship service Wednesday. For any information call Amy Dowden at 352-2615 or email to amyburson@hotmail.com.

BAPTIST COLLEGIATE MINISTRY
The BCM will have Wednesday night worship at the BCM, across the street from Watson Library, every Wednesday night. The worship begins at 8:31 p.m. All students are welcome to attend. For more information call the BCM at 352-5464.

CIRCLE K INTERNATIONAL
Circle K International invites you to its meetings every Tuesday night at 8:30 p.m. in room 320 of the Student Union. For more information call Jessica at 357-5974.

LADY OF THE BRACELET
Any woman interested in being a participant in the 2002 Miss Lady of the Bracelet pageant should go by room 214 of the Student Union to pick up a scholarship application. There will be an informational meeting Wednesday in the President's Room of the Student Union.

FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN ATHLETES
FCA will be having its weekly fellowship every Tuesday night. The meetings are held in the athletic field house on the south end of Turpin Stadium at 8 p.m. There will be a devotional speaker each week. Everyone is welcome to come and join us in praise.

SPANISH CLUB
The Spanish Club would like to invite potential members to its weekly meetings, every Wednesday at 3 p.m. in room 331 of Kyser Hall.

NSU CLUB SOCCER
NSU Club Soccer invites anyone who is interested in playing club soccer to their practices which are held behind Watson library at 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday and Sunday.

ARGUS
The new editions of *Argus*, the NSU literary and art magazine, are ready and can be picked up for free in room 335 of Kyser hall.

CLUB GAIA
Club Gaia, NSU's environmental club, asks the University to make Monday 'Carpool or No Drive Day.' Club Gaia invites everyone to participate.

ALPHA OMICRON PI
Ladies, Bash is tonight. Remember to be safe and no alcohol. Also, Susan Morgan is in town. All officers need to meet with her on Friday and all members will have a chapter meeting with her. Please meet with her at your designated time. Be safe and have a great week.

NSU CREW
The NSU Crew 'Rowers of the Month' are as follows: Novice Woman - **Jamie Farley**, Novice Man - **Justin Rayburn**, Varsity Woman - **Lyndsey Hicks**, and Varsity Man - **Seth Fornea**.

REGISTRARS' OFFICE
The Fall 2001 midterm grades are now available online. You can access your grades at www2.nsula.edu. Early registration for the Spring 2002 semester is right around the corner. The dates are as follows: graduate students and seniors - Nov. 7, juniors - Nov. 8, sophomores - Nov. 9. Departmental registration will begin on Nov. 12 and ends on Nov. 16. This is for students with less than 30 hours. Early registration ends on Dec. 14.

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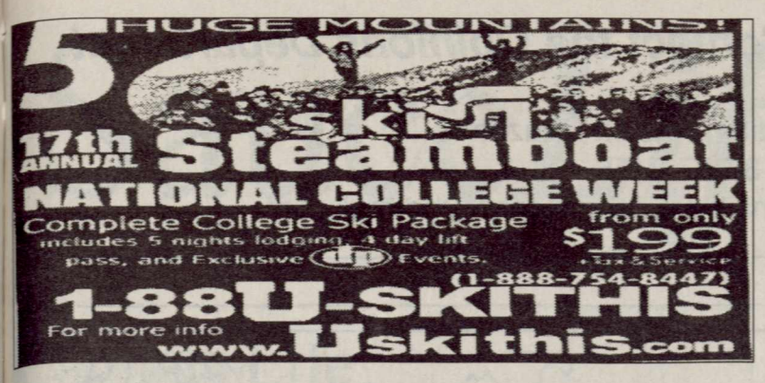
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Media Board

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"We would like to be able to make the decision based on editorial content, what we have and what our stories are, than to be forced to run them every week," Hill said.

As a compromise The Current Sauce posts the minutes on their web site and a reporter is sent to each meeting. However, Broussard has a slight problem with this arrangement.

"Those two articles of the by-laws (article X and article IV) are voted on by the entire student body....this says that the student body voted this particular part about The Current Sauce into our by-laws. The students want this, not the senate, not me...the students of Northwestern State University," Broussard said.

Above all this arguing about the minutes looms the legality of the situation. The Media Board felt that the requirement that the minutes be printed in the paper was unconstitutional and their opinion was backed by Mark Goodman, executive director of the Student Press Law Center. However, they also felt that some sort of agreement should be made because the students should have a chance to view the minutes.

"I am 100 percent for his (Hill) rights as an editor for content freedom....I have a huge issue that *The Current Sauce* is the check and balance of the senate, but yet you don't have anything in the paper about the SGA minutes. Then how do the students know what is going on with the SGA," a source said.

In accordance with the recommendation by the Media Board, Hill, Broussard, and their advisors will meet on Monday to try to reach agreeable terms.

University takes part in city's 'Make a Difference Day'

Courtesy of News Bureau

The University will take part in the City of Natchitoches celebration of 'Make a Difference Day' on Saturday.

Those attending Saturday's NSU - Jacksonville State game are encouraged to arrive at Turpin Stadium at 1 p.m., one hour prior to kickoff for a special ceremony. At 1 p.m., participants will join hands in a circle around the field to symbolize how people working together can make a difference in their community.

Fifteen Natchitoches groups and organizations are planning projects to help the community.

The Natchitoches Art Guild and Gallery will have volunteer artists teach art lessons to children at the Boys and Girls Club. The young artists will display their paintings on Saturday.

The D.A.R.E. Advisory Board will sponsor a track meet for children in grades five through seven to raise money to purchase fans and blankets for Natchitoches Parish families.

The Natchitoches Chapter of Habitat for Humanity is working towards constructing a home for a local family.

The Natchitoches chapter of Business and Professional Women will donate books on tape to the new Natchitoches Parish Library.

The Natchitoches Parish Council on Aging is holding fundraisers to purchases needed items for women and children who will use the battered women's shelter.

NSU Elementary Lab School's Key Kids, the junior branch of Kiwanis International is collecting children's clothing to be distributed by Loving Care Missions or other organizations which contact them with a need.

Natchitoches Central High School's Key Club will hold a canned food drive to help area food banks.

The Women's Resource Center of Natchitoches distributed baby bottles to "help us save and change lives." Customers and businesspeople are asked to deposit loose change in the bottles which will be picked up and used to buy needed supplies such as diapers and other items for clients.

The Keep Natchitoches Beautiful program and the Mayor's Youth Council are working on two projects. Trees will be planted a tall city parks on Friday. Area fifth graders will recycle aluminum cans for the Natchitoches Lions Club.

Isabella

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hope to have some music. We got the copyrights from the producer of Frankenstein to use the music."

This is not the first time an event like this has happened. In 1982, a group of 750 students moved her from Caldwell Hall to the Old Women's Gym. A fire in Caldwell had supposedly disturbed her dwelling.

Meyer expects a large crowd on Wednesday, also.

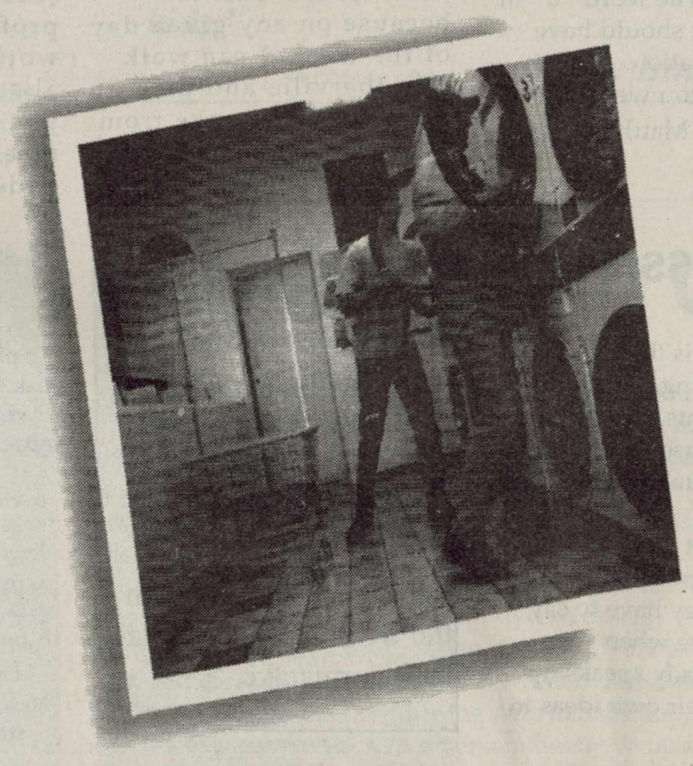
"We're trying to get students to partake in some of the NSU traditions," she said.

She said coordinating the event has been an interesting experience.

"I think it's strange that people claim to hear and see her," she said. "People in Varnado say that they hear someone in the hall and there is no one. Other dorms have said they've heard things, too."

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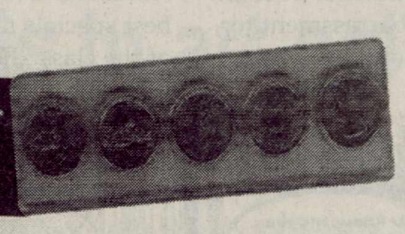
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Editor's Take

Editor asks to send some good news

This year has been a great year for the *Sauce*, especially in the Opinions section.

We've had a lot of submissions to the section, and most of them have been thoughtful and well written.

I'd like to thank everyone who has sent a take, and I encourage anyone else who hasn't sent in a take to feel free to do so.

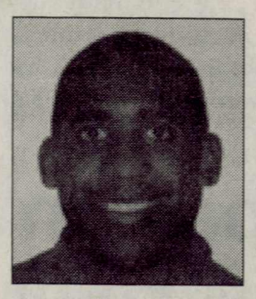
But I have noticed one thing about your takes that has me slightly concerned.

What happened to the good news?

Most of the takes sent in by you guys have dealt with parking, homecoming elections, the *Current Sauce's* editorial judgment or other controversies involving the NSU campus.

Don't get me wrong, that's what his page is for. We want you to keep sending in takes whenever you think there is a problem that needs to be addressed.

But a letter to the Sauce doesn't always have to be bad news.



Rondray Hill
Editor's Take

I know of some of the good things that go on this campus. I see them everyday.

I see students helping other students, faculty helping students, groups helping other groups and so on.

So I'm asking the students of NSU, where's the good news?

Is there not a teacher who helped one of you master a really difficult section in one of your classes?

Have greeks stopped doing canned food drives for area shelters?

Is there no one on this campus who needs to be praised in the newspaper?

I think there are. And we will do our part to make sure these people get the praise they deserve. But you can help.

Like Dr. Webb always says, "good things are happening everyday at NSU."

I'd like to see some of our students send in takes telling us about some of the good things that the students, faculty or anyone associated with the school are doing.

I'm not asking you to ignore the problems, or try to create good PR for the university. I'm just asking for a slight change of pace.

And as an example, I'd like to point out how great last week's homecoming game was. This was the first time in my four years here at NSU where I saw the both Natchitoches and the NSU community come together for an entire week. The student turnout was great, it was a beautiful day, and the Demons kicked butt.

Of course, we know everything is not all happy-go-lucky here at NSU. But I know something on this campus is working the way it should.

I'm interested in knowing what it is.

Rondray Hill is the Editor of the *Current Sauce*. You can contact him at 357-5456 or by email at sauceopinions1@hotmail.com

Letter to the editor

Addison replies: homecoming court lacks minorities

Michael Addison
Senior

Well, Mr. Matthews, I appreciate the fact that you responded to the article in an intelligent manner, as opposed to some of the feedback I've received.

However, Mr. Matthews, there are a few things I would like for you to get straight.

The purpose of my article was to call to attention some the circumstances that I feel made the election unfair, and I feel that there are several ways, maybe more, to make the elections fair for all students.

I did not mean to make this an argument only to be seen in terms of black and white.

By making the elections fair, all students benefit.

And I do not appreciate, Mr. Matthews, the way you make this out to be some "simple" issue.

It's not simple, in fact, its very complex to me and the solution to making this campus more diverse isn't "simple" easy.

Here's one suggestion: if a student needs help in the voting process, an SGA member needs to assist the student with the curtains OPEN to eliminate any questions and confusion.

Also, your concern as an SGA member should be to maximize the voter turn out. Since you stated only 600 people voted, that's not just blacks not voting, whites on a whole aren't voting either since whites out-number blacks on this campus 2 to 1. So, putting the voting booths in Iberville would be beneficial to black AND white students.

Concerning Mr. Welbourn's actions, why is it my job to alert the poll workers of questionable behavior? What are you there for? Isn't that your job to make sure everything is done properly and without question? I think so, and if you don't, you don't need to be working the polls.

Another thing, the 20% was a hypothetical percentage. The word "if" in my statement should have been an indication. I apologize if you were a little confused Mr. Matthews.

Letter to the editor

Fear of sounding smart; students keep hands low in the classroom

J. Manny Guendulay
Adjunct teacher
Basic writing and Grammar

Cold silence. That moment after the teacher asks a question, and no one answers. Every student knows what I'm talking about, and now as a teacher, I have learned to loathe it more.

This phenomenon has always perplexed me throughout my years in Academia and I've pondered the reasons silence lingers for a moment until the teacher breaks down and decides to answer the question, or to be truly devious and ask someone to answer the question.

Why does this silence happen in the first place?

Fear is what I believe catalyzes the silence. It could be fear of embarrassment for being wrong or fear of being made an example because of a trick question. And sometimes, I feel that students fall silent because of the fear of sounding smart.

The first two are obvious, no one wants to sound unintelligent, especially among their peers and teachers are known to be tricky at times.

But fear of sounding smart? Interesting, huh? How about the idea that sounding smart isn't cool? It doesn't sound likely, but surprisingly, I've watched it happen.

Years ago, around my second junior year, I finally took a sophomore literature course I'd been dodging. It was filled with younger students, mostly sophomores who were more concerned about the letters on their shirts and which club had the best specials than the content of the class. Before class, I would talk with a few of the more interesting students about assignments, and they would surprise me on their discoveries, but when the teacher asked about the required reading, even those that I spoke with wouldn't speak up.

Why? Fear of stepping away from the status quo and showing that they could think for themselves?

They knew the answers, but didn't want to be singled out the others who didn't do their work.

I believe they feared that they would look intelligent among their party friends, so instead, they stuck with the status quo, and stayed silent.

Now, as I writing teacher, I look back at that course and then look around at the university today and see that same fear of moving beyond the status quo. What is frustrating about this phenomenon is that while I'm teaching writing, I'm trying to get my students to learn to think for themselves. This fear stops individual thought from happening.

Teachers don't want their students to agree with everything they have to say, in fact, we love when someone actually speaks up and brings their own ideas to the table.

College brings exposure to many things, real life, real parties, and real responsibilities.

More important than any of these things, college is the first place where you are free to think for yourself.

Unfortunately, I don't see that much of it happening at NSU.

Look around for yourself, and see if I'm right. If you do, then as a teacher, I've succeeded and you've started to think for yourself.



Letter to the editor

Dining facilities problems and pleasures

Lucas A. Comeaux
Junior

I'm not the best student, but I think that there is something wrong when I'm struggling this much in one subject.

I still can't figure out why I can't get mashed potatoes and gravy with my breakfast sausage in my "to-go" meal from Ibervile.

I'm paying for an all-you-can-eat meal just like those who are sitting in the dining facility to eat.

I take one Styrofoam plate to my job at the front desk of a dorm, and that's the only warm food I can get - sausage. The students who stay in Iberville can go back for sausage after bringing their mashed potatoes to their table. This is because on any given day of the week, I can walk into Iberville and pick up three pieces of cake from the "Sweet Things" area. I can eat only the icing and return to the area for more icing without an utterance or a word of caution.

Each dining facility does have its good point, however. Vic's is convenient for between class meals.

Le Rendezvous is good when the selection at Vic's is not appealing.

At Iberville, you can eat all you want , but one never eats too much due to what one has to chose from.

Quality aside, (because who likes to use two paper napkins to sop up the orange grease from a single slice of pizza), Le Rendezvous is the best place to eat.

This is because it is the home of the only pleasant worker I've found on campus (excluding some professors). She usually works the register, and always has a "How are you doing?" or a "Have a nice weekend." while she slides your card.

Correction:

The editorial "SGA Vice President responds to 'homecoming court lacks minorities'" in the issue of October 18 was not intended to be a statement from the SGA. We apologize for the mistake.

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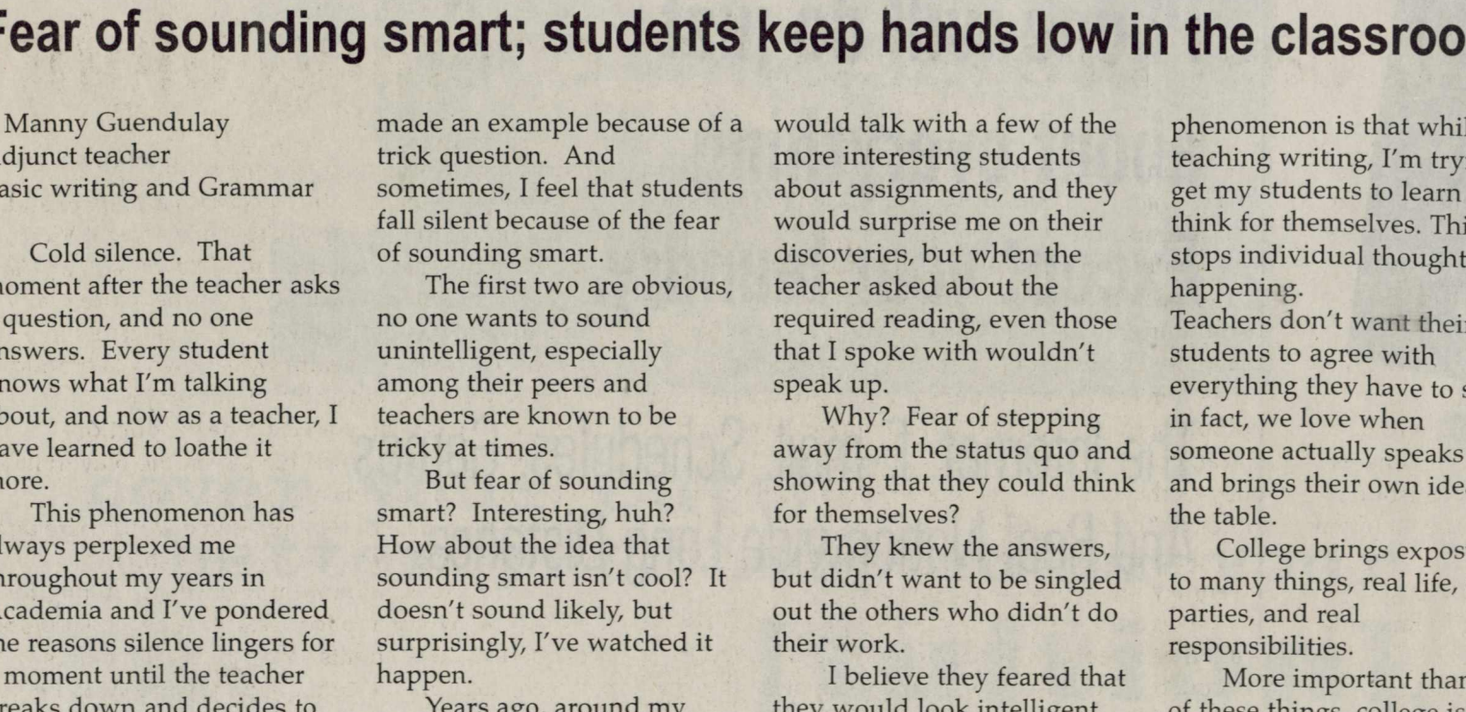
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Campus Life

Sigma Alpha Iota sponsors drag queen contest

By Kira Gervais
Sauce Reporter

Sigma Alpha Iota will sponsor a drag queen pageant as a fund raiser for its organization on Nov. 9, at 7 p.m.

"Women of the Night" is an annual fund raiser for SAI. Kristie Gersch, SAI treasurer, said it's the chapter's largest fund raiser.

Gersch said there would be a talent competition and an interview portion. Anyone can sponsor a contestant for a fee of $5.

Gersch wants this year's contestants to be a representation of many different organizations on campus, not just the music department.

"It is usually music department people, but that's because that is who knows about it," Gersch said.

There will be a new addition to the competition this year. She said they just voted on a $50 prize for the winner. If an organization sponsored the winner, then the organization will get $50, she said. If an individual *sponsored* the winner, the prize money can be split between the sponsor and the winner.

The judges panel consists of faculty members, Gersch said, but there will be a raffle that night for the one open judges seat. Raffle tickets will be $1.

Gersch said all of the Greek organizations will be receiving an information packet, and there will also be information and entry forms on the Sigma Alpha Iota board located in the music building. Entry forms are due on Nov. 2, at 3 p.m..

Admission to the "Women of the Night" pageant is $5 or $3 with a canned good. Gersch said all canned goods collected would be going to the disaster relief fund for the terrorist attacks.

NSU to take part in Make A Difference Day

Northwestern State University will take part in the City of Natchitoches celebration of Make a Difference Day Saturday, Oct. 27.

The day is a nationally recognized event, established to help make a difference for the world.

Those attending Saturday's NSU - Jacksonville State game are encouraged to arrive at Turpin Stadium at 1 p.m., one hour prior to kickoff for a special ceremony.

At 1 p.m., participants will join hands in a circle around the field to symbolize how people working together can make a difference in their community.

In Perspective

Breast Cancer is real

Disease touches lives of NSU students



Art courtesy of pinkribbon.org

A pink ribbon has become the symbol for breast cancer awareness. October is national Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

Facts about Breast Cancer:

* In the US, breast cancer is the leading cause of death in women between the ages of 35 and 54 years old.
* Excluding skin cancer, breast cancer is the most common type of cancer among women in the US.
* Women in the US have a 1 in 8 lifetime risk of developing breast cancer.

Self-exams:

Ideally, you should perform your monthly BSE the week following your menstrual cycle. You should examine your breasts while lying down (to flatten the breast tissue for an even surface), when you are in the shower (the soap helps make the surface slippery and smooth) and while standing in front of the mirror (to visualize any changes).

"I'm scared for myself and for my kids."

- Vicky Boudreaux

By Kira Gervais
Sauce Reporter

Breast Cancer affects many people's lives, including three NSU students.

Brandi Chatelain, a junior Social Work major, has a cousin who had breast cancer. She said about two years ago her cousin found a lump in her breast, but didn't tell anyone until about eight months later.

Because her cousin waited so long to tell her physician about the lump, Chatelain said it caused more problems for her.

"She had to get chemotherapy for one month before she had surgery to remove her breast. Then she had to have chemotherapy for one month after she had surgery to remove her breast," she said.

Chatelain said her cousin continued with chemotherapy, and finally finished the treatment in August. She said her experiences with her cousin's battle with cancer, has made her more aware of the deadly disease.

"I think about it more," she said. "I check myself more."

Vicky Boudreaux, a senior in the General College, also has a family member with breast cancer. She said her aunt discovered a lump, and didn't tell anyone. After nine months, she finally told someone, but it was too late.

Boudreaux said her aunt went through chemotherapy and went into remission, but the cancer has recently returned.

"It came back about six months ago in the same area," she said. "She just finished her second round of chemotherapy."

Boudreaux is more worried about the risk that she and her family faces toward getting breast cancer.

"I'm scared for myself and for my kids," she said.

Many women find lumps in their breasts, but it can happen to men, too. Jonathon Toombs, a junior radiology major, found a lump in his right breast.

During his first semester at NSU, Toombs said he noticed that the right side of his chest was bigger than the left side. He noticed a knot, and after time, it seemed to grow.

"I didn't know what it was at first," he said. "It was a knot almost like a marble."

Toombs said he decided to go to a cancer specialist. He had an ultra-sound, and X-rays sone. He had the lump removed. Toombs said his doctor informed him of the possibility of breast cancer.

Toombs had surgery his freshman year to remove the lump. He later learned that it was not cancerous, and was a tumor.

"It was my first time being put to sleep, so that was kind of scary," he said.

Frankenstein cast prepares for opening night

When director Scott Burrell has questions about *The Tragedy of Frankenstein*, it's easy for him to go to the best possible source. Burrell is able to call on his longtime friend William Gilmore, the writer of *The Tragedy of Frankenstein* which runs Oct. 31 - Nov. 4 in the A.A. Fredericks Auditorium.

Burrell called Gilmore several times with with questions. Gilmore recently spent two weeks in Natchitoches as rehearsals began, working with the cast and crew. Burrell and Gilmore were classmates at Catawba School of Performing Arts in Salisbury, N.C., and were part of a five-person theatre company in Florida in 1986.

"I am able to go through interpretations and concepts," Burell said. "I'm not stabbing in the dark."

Gilmore owns and operates Mill Creek Productions, a small film and video production company specializing in theatrical trailers, commercials and industrial videos. He has been a stage director regionally and in New York. Gilmore was a director and segment producer for MTV's sketch comedy "You Wrote It, You Watch It," starring John Stewart and was second unit director for the film "Just Your Luck" starring Virginia Madsen, John Favreau and Vince Vaughn.

The Tragedy of Frankenstein is styled after a classic Greek drama and incorporates the use of a Chorus Master and his Chorus of Imps to recount the tragic events surrounding Victor Frankenstein and his quest to create life. The play makes use of such theatrical conventions as choral chants, iambic pentameter, and multiple scenes-within a scene to underscore moral, ethical, political, and theological issues as relevant today as they were in the time of Mary Shelley, the author of "Frankenstein."

Gilmore began to develop his play as a screenplay but abandoned the work.

"I was sitting around a bookshop in New York with other writers and brought up what I had been working on," Gilmore said. "Then one night the concept of the Chorus and the Chorus Master came to me."

In developing the play, Gilmore did not get away from Mary Shelly's original novel.

"I followed the novel pretty faithfully unlike a lot of versions," Gilmore said . "I show the development of intellect and the conflict with the maker. There is some embellishment though."

In the play, the Creature becomes articulate and is "ingenious" in plotting his revenge against Victor.

This is the first time the complete version of *The Tragedy of Frankenstein* will be performed. The play won a theatre competition when it was staged in a workshop format at Theatre Downtown in Orlando in the early 1990's. Music by composer Jay Tumminello has been added to the production.

"This is the first time I have seen the play in its entirety with the chorus and all the elements," Gilmore said. " I have changed some words here and there once I have heard the actors say them."

While at NSU, Gilmore also gave an "Acting for the Camera" workshop for theatre students. Gilmore explained to the students some of the differences between stage and screen. Using Theatre West, he showed them how to play to the cameras and gave participants an idea of what they looked like on camera.

For ticket information on *The Tragedy of Frankenstein*, call (318) 357-5814.

Exhibit by L.A. artist JonMarc Edwards in art gallery

"The Idea of One," an exhibition of 30 works on paper by Los Angeles artist JonMarc Edwards, will be on display through Nov. 16 in the Orville J. Hanchey Art Gallery at Northwestern State University. The exhibition is open to the public weekdays between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Admission is free.

Edwards' exhibit consists of acrylic and mixed media paintings done since 1987 and represent a continuing exploration of form and content along with consistency in material and size. "The Idea of One" utilizes a single paper stock and size (30 x 41 inches.)

Critics have called Edwards' works "modern day hieroglyphics," Many of Edwards' works express a new language through compression of image, text, and information.

In the last two years, he has presented two large-scale public art projects on Los Angeles billboards in an experiment to communicate in the abstract, referencing the post-mass media age with the format and jargon of advertising.

In addition to Southern California galleries, Edwards' work has been seen at the Apex Gallery in New York City, at the Irvine Art Center, and Tucson and Santa Cruz. He has also presented one-man shows at the Center for Contemporary Art in Chicago, and at Flanders Contemporary Art in Minneapolis.

Edwards has been a visiting artist at Claremont Graduate University and Cal State Fullerton. He holds a Bachelor of Fine Arts from the Minneapolis College of Art and Design. His works are in public collections held by AT&T, First Bank, Minneapolis and St. Paul, General Mills, the Walker Art Center, and the Consulate General of Germany in Los Angeles.

During his career, Edwards has received awards and fellowships from the Louis Comfort Tiffany Foundation, the Jerome Foundation, and the Bush Foundation.

Wellness Report:

Beware of weight loss supplements

By Tara L. Gallien, M.Ed.
Sauce Reporter

Americans spend an estimated $34 billion annually for weight loss products and services. Nearly 50 million people will begin a new diet regimen this year, and while some will succeed in taking off the weight, very few will manage to keep it off. Many look for quick and easy solutions to their weight problems. Consumers' desperate search for a magical "potion" that will "melt fat away" has given rise to a multibillion-dollar industry: the weight loss "quackery" industry.

Weight Loss Quackery

Products that promise dramatic, rapid weight loss are commonly referred to as weight loss quackery. With the magical solutions and outrageous promises, weight loss quacks undermine responsible weight management programs and make them seem ineffective by comparison. The most sinister aspect of weight loss quackery is that it creates false hope for people. Repeated attempts to lose weight, followed by the inevitable regain, bring on a sense of failure, shame, and powerlessness. It batters self-esteem and is psychologically damaging. Yet, perhaps the greatest danger associated with these regimens is that they are unbalanced and may have harmful side effects.

Beware!

Dietary supplements do not undergo the same strict pre-approval processes as medications. Many weight loss products, containing one or more types of dietary supplements (e.g., herbs and vitamins), may be sold without pre-market clearance by the FDA and without any evaluation about their safety and/or effectiveness. Furthermore, unlike prescription medication packages, which warn against possible drug interactions and side effects, the makers of dietary supplements are not required to print such warnings on their labels.

Marketing tactics like "lose weight while you sleep" are successful in enticing consumers to buy these products, especially consumers who seek out effortless ways to lose weight.

Several popular supplements are *Xenadrine, Metabolife 356, Ripped Fuel*, and *Body Solutions* product, *Atomic Energy*. These products contain ephedrine alkaloids and caffeine. This combination causes adverse reactions like hypertension, stroke, seizures, and death. In an autopsy report of a 38-year-old man taking *Ripped Fuel*, the coroner concluded, "ephedrine is a stimulant and as such may have contributed to a fatal arrhythmia in the decedent."

According to a recent article published in *The New England Journal of Medicine*, researchers found that of the 140 cases of adverse reactions to dietary supplements reported to the FDA between 1998 and 1999, 31 percent "definitely" or "probably" were related to ephedrine-containing products.

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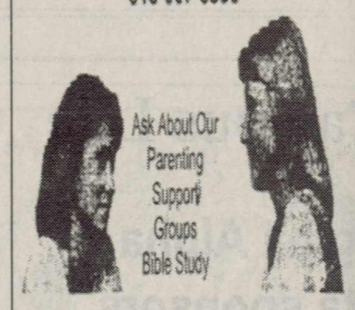
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Angela Davidson and the Lady Demons are picked to finish second behind the SFA Ladyjacks in the conference preseason polls.

Demons 3rd, Lady Demons 2nd in preseason polls

Mindy Mixon
Staff Writer

The Preseason polls are in and both the men and women's Northwestern basketball teams are ranked in the top three of the Southland Conference.

The men are picked to finish third behind Texas-San Antonio and Louisiana-Monroe.

The women were pegged to finish second in the conference behind rival Stephen F. Austin.

Michael Byars-Dawson, also the Southland's postseason tournament most valuable player a year ago, made the Preseason First-Team All-Southland Conference.

"This poll has the most validity," Head Coach Mike McConathy said. "It's as good a guess as you can make because they know all the personnel and all the things that matter."

"We don't focus too much on the polls," Assistant coach Jennifer Graf said. "We just take it one game at a time."

"I think this shows respect for our program – that we're in the top half of our league," McConathy said. "It's positive – you might feel like you want to be first but if you can just be in the top group it gives you room. ."

NSU and McNeese were the only SLC representatives in post-season play.

"San Antonio returned every player and they finished second in the league. That is why they are ranked high,"McConathy said. "And Monroe made a run at the end of the year, and return a bulk of players from a team that finished in an upswing. Plus they have had a great recruiting class."

The Demon's did lose Pooh Davis, Josh Hancock, Chris Thompson and Will Burks.

"I want them to play hard," McConathy said. "That will be dependent upon them and their willingness to play within the roles that we identify as our strengths and weaknesses."

Demon Volleyball team wins soundly versus ULM, 3-0

By Cooda Dobin
Sauce reporter

The Northwestern State volleyball team completed a season series sweep against the University of Louisiana-Monroe, 3-0, to record their second conference win.

This victory sets up the third straight season that NSU have beaten ULM under head coach James Onikeku.

"The girls picked it up yesterday," Onikeku said. "I was worried because we went up there and we went to five games. But here we beat them in three and I believe its shows that we are learning to close out games."

NSU now moves to 6-16 overall and 2-11 in the Southland Conference. ULM drops to 0-21 overall and 0-13 in the SLC.

Three players contributed double-digit kills for NSU on an even winning attack and never looked back in the three matches, scoring 31-29, 30-29, and 30-23.

Sophomore Cathy Herring led the way for the Demons with a team-high 15 digs and 29 assists. Also to add to the effort was sophomore Aime Garcia with three blocks and 10 kills.

NSU will host a pair of SLC Games this weekend, Nicholls State University on Friday and Southeastern Louisiana on Saturday.

"This win is good," Onikeku said. "We have been having some good practices and I think we are ready to compete this weekend."

First serve is set for 7 p.m. for both matches in Prather Coliseum.

Rodriguez named player of the week; Demons move in I-AA polls

After helping lead the Northwestern State Purple Swarm defense to a dominating performance in Saturday's 47-14 win over Nicholls State, Demon linebacker Kurt Rodriguez has been named "Defensive Player of the Week" in the Southland Football League.

Rodriguez, a 6-2, 238-pound junior from New Orleans-Holy Cross, had a team and game-high 10 tackles, including one for a loss of a yard, as Northwestern allowed Nicholls only 173 total yards and 10 first downs. The Colonels' triple-option wingbone attack had averaged 241 yards rushing in its previous four games, but netted only 166 against Northwestern.

The Demons took control of a one-point game by outscoring the Colonels 34-0 after halftime while limiting Nicholls to only 32 total offensive yards.

Northwestern (5-2 overall, 1-1 in the SFL) moved to No. 15 in both Division I-AA Top 25 polls Monday, advancing two spots in the Sports Network media voting and three places in the ESPN/USA Today coaches' rankings.

Five of the seven Southland teams are ranked in the Top 25 polls this week, led by Sam Houston State at 12th in the coaches' poll and 14th in the media voting. Also ranked are McNeese State (17th in both polls) and Stephen F. Austin (24th in both) along with Northwestern and Jacksonville State.

Crunch Time

Demon Soccer season goes down to the wire

Demon strategy is simple; win and we're in

By Rondray Hill
Editor

The math is simple. No formulas needed, no calculators required.

Here's the formula; two Demon wins equals a playoff berth.

Anything less…unacceptable.

"That's the way we want it," head coach Jimmy Mitchell said. "We are fortunate that, despite what happened this season, we still get to control our own destiny."

The Demons, the defending conference champions, have plans to host the conference tournament, and the only way they can do that is to actually make it to the tournament. They currently sit in the fourth and final playoff spot, ahead of McNeese and Stephen F. Austin.

That's pretty convenient consider the Demons' last two opponents are SFA and McNeese. The mission is simple; beat both SFA on Friday and McNeese on Sunday. The task, however, is difficult. Both games are on the road. And both Demon opponents know they have to win out.

"I think the team understands that we have to take care of business one game at a time," Mitchell said. "The team realizes that if we don't win on Friday, there won't be anything to play for on Sunday. We have to keep it simple, and the simplest thing is to win on Friday."

Defender Jill Lowe agrees with coach, but she also adds that the team's 3-1 win against Southeastern Louisiana last Sunday will give them some added confidence.

"We knew we had everything together, but once we finally won one, it really helped our confidence," Lowe said.

Luckily for Lowe, the Demons are facing teams they have had success against on the road. The Demons won both games at McNeese and SFA last season, and the Demons have beaten SFA here and tied McNeese when they played here this season.

"The thing that's scary about playing SFA at their place is that they play on turf," Mitchell said. It's a psychological advantage for them, but we have had a lot of success there. We've always won over there and there's no reason for us to expect not to win Friday."

Lowe added that she thinks last Sunday's win will be a season-turning victory; a victory that came at the right time.

"Sunday we finally put everything together. Now everything is going to turn around for us."



Photo by Gary Hardamon
There's no room for error. This weekend is a make-or-break weekend for the Demon soccer team. The Demons control their own destiny, but they must win on the road against SFA and McNeese

Demon football excited to face JSU; conference position on line

By Rondray Hill
Editor

In their only two home games, The Demons have outscored their opponents 102-31.

In this Saturday's game versus the Jacksonville Gamecocks, the two teams might score 102 points combined.

The Demons (5-2. 1-1) bookend a two-game homestand with a key game against JSU, and they'll probably receive another boost to their offense with the return of starting quarterback Craig Nall.

Nall's status for the game improved to probable yesterday afternoon. Head coach Steve Roberts said there would be no hesitation to start Nall on Saturday.

"It depends on how he's feeling Saturday," Roberts said. "If Craig is ready, then he will go."

Not that the Demons were struggling in his absence. In the two games Nall was out, junior backup Kevin Magee filled in nicely. In his two starts, Magee averaged 213 yards per game and threw two touchdowns in both Demon victories.

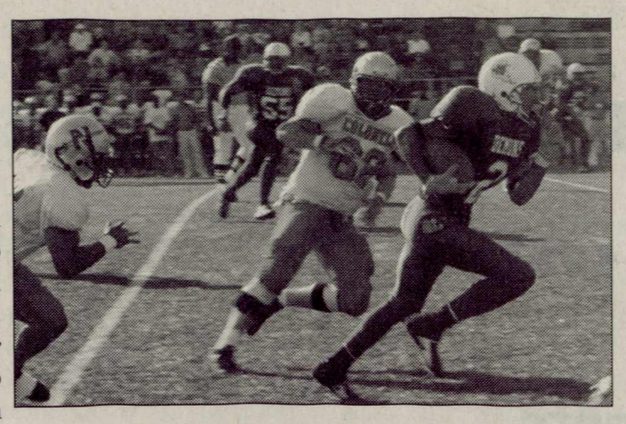


Photo by Gary Hardamon
Kendrick Llorens scoring his first career TD in Saturday's blowout win versus Nicholls

Those numbers, along with the five-touchdown performance in the last two games of tailback Jeremy Lofton, have the Demons confident

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Chelimo wins conference runner of the week award

Northwestern State sophomore Jonah Chelimo has been named the Southland Conference cross country athlete of the week award for the second time this season after taking his second victory of the year last Saturday.

The Kenyan sophomore ran a 21:21 over a two-mile course at the Lamar Invitational, winning by 17 seconds over the second-place finisher. His other win this year came in the Demon Opener Sept. 10 and he also won the SLC award as a result.

Chelimo and his teammates compete Monday in the Southland Conference Championships hosted by Stephen F. Austin. Back in the NSU lineup will be sophomore Noah Murgor, who missed the chance to defend his Lamar Invitational individual championship because of illness.

Murgor ran seventh at the 2000 SLC Championships and earned All-SLC honors and Louisiana Freshman of the Year accolades.

NSU vs JSU

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that Nall's return will be a smooth one.

"We have a lot of confidence in Nall," Roberts said. "We have confidence in him because he's a good competitor. There shouldn't be any adjustments in terms of the style of the two quarterbacks because they are so similar in what they do."

The Demon defense might have a tough time trying to contain one of the best offensive units in the country. JSU (5-1, 2-1) comes to town with the nation's second-best offense, averaging 493 yards of total offense.

Leading the JSU offensive charge is Quarterback Reggie Stancil, who has the fourth-best QB rating in the nation. Tailback Rondy Rogers is the feature back in a JSU running game that ranks third in the nation in rushing. Rogers averages 148 yards rushing per game.

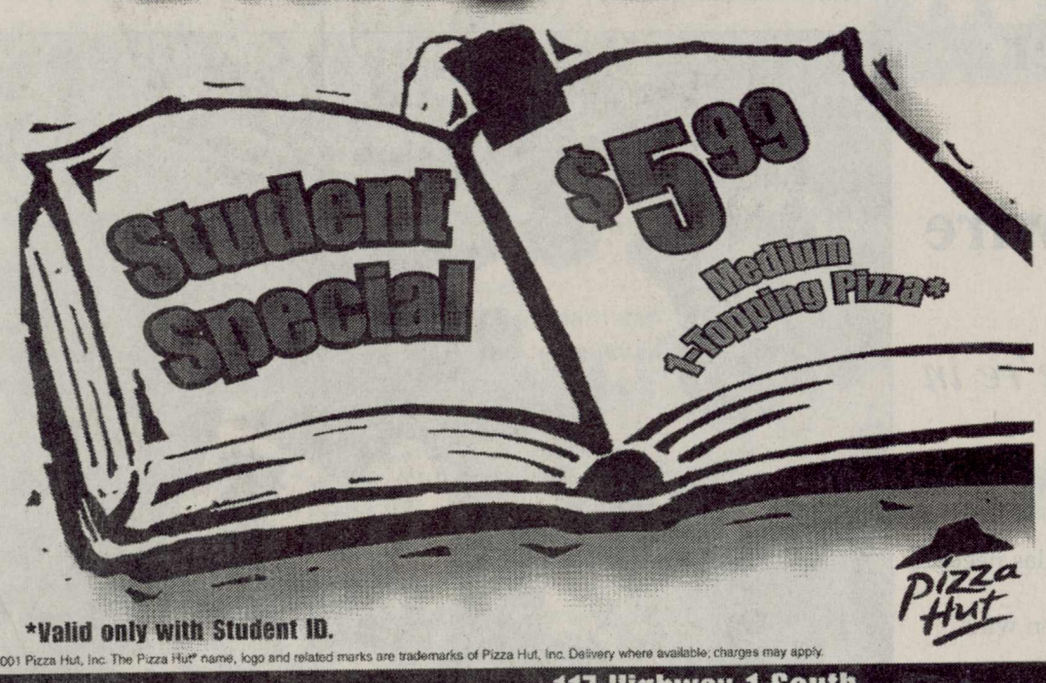
"Rogers is a tremendous tailback," Roberts said. "We've got to do a great job of tackling him. He's one of those backs that gets stronger as the game goes on."

Special teams should also play a big part in deciding who wins this game. The Gamecocks' Nekia Williams has averaged 20.5 yards on punt returns while Roger Bell is second in the conference in kickoff returns, average 25.4 yards.

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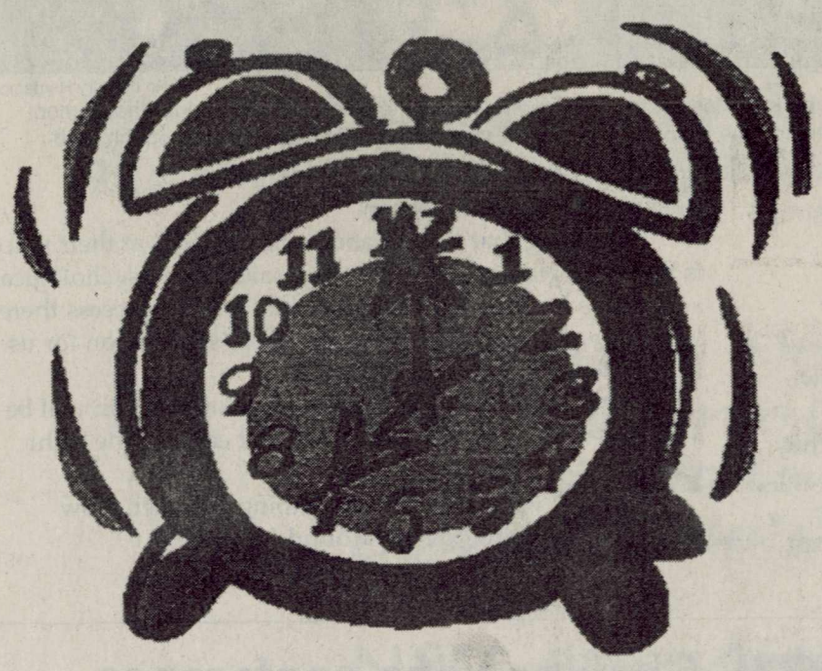
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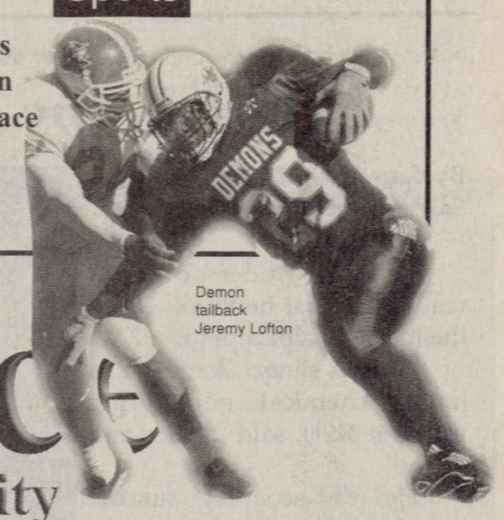
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The Demons travel to San Marcos to face Southwest Texas.

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Demon tailback Jeremy Lofton

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Anthrax hoax postpones classes; test results negative

By Rob Morgan
Sauce Reporter

A phone call threatening Anthrax contamination cancelled classes in Russell Hall for Tuesday and Wednesday, but lab test showed the contamination to be negative.

"Someone called and said the building has been compromised, let the Gihad begin," Walter Creighton, director of the business department, said.

The *Gihad* or *Jihad* referred to here is probably the *al-Gihad*, an Islamic word meaning holy struggle.

"Hopefully, the phone numbers on the system will provide some answers, but we don't know yet," Creighton said.

The business departmental secretary was the one who answered the phone and received the threat.

Classes were officially cancelled around 11:30 p.m., and the Louisiana State Police Hazardous Material team was called in to further investigate the threat and its validity. The University police were on the scene to close down Russell Hall and start the investigation of the threat.

Joel Worley, assistant professor of the business program, was a little surprised by the threat, but he was suspicious something similar might occur here after the threat at LSUA Monday. He was not sure whether it was a real threat or not, but he said "we have to treat it as real."

"The way I look at it, I think it was just someone calling in just because they wanted to get out of something," said James King, a NSU senior, "It happened yesterday at LSUA and people are just taking advantage of a bad situation. It is not right."

David Zolzer, assistant professor of business, took the same stance as King and Worley calling the threat "just a copycat".

"We did benign swaps on all the ventilation ducts, and we are going to submit those to the lab in Shreveport, the Health Department Lab," Steve Childers, Hazardous Material Inspector Unit, said.

The cultures Childers sent to the Shreveport lab came back negative meaning classes will begin today at their normal times in Russell Hall.

Chief of University police, Rick Williams, related past threats in the state to the current events on campus.

"Since all this has business has started the State Police Haz-Mat has tested more than 200 sites in the state...and none of them have come out positive," Williams said.

Once again, the classes in Russell Hall have resumed today at their normal times.



Photo by Rob Morgan

The Louisiana State Police Hazardous Material was called to do a sweep of Russell Hall on Tuesday at approximately 10:45 a.m. The building was evacuated in order to take precautionary methods against the threat of Anthrax. The tests that were performed for Anthrax spores came back negative and classes in Russell Hall resumed today.

Honoring the Deceased

Catholics celebrate All Saints/All Souls Day

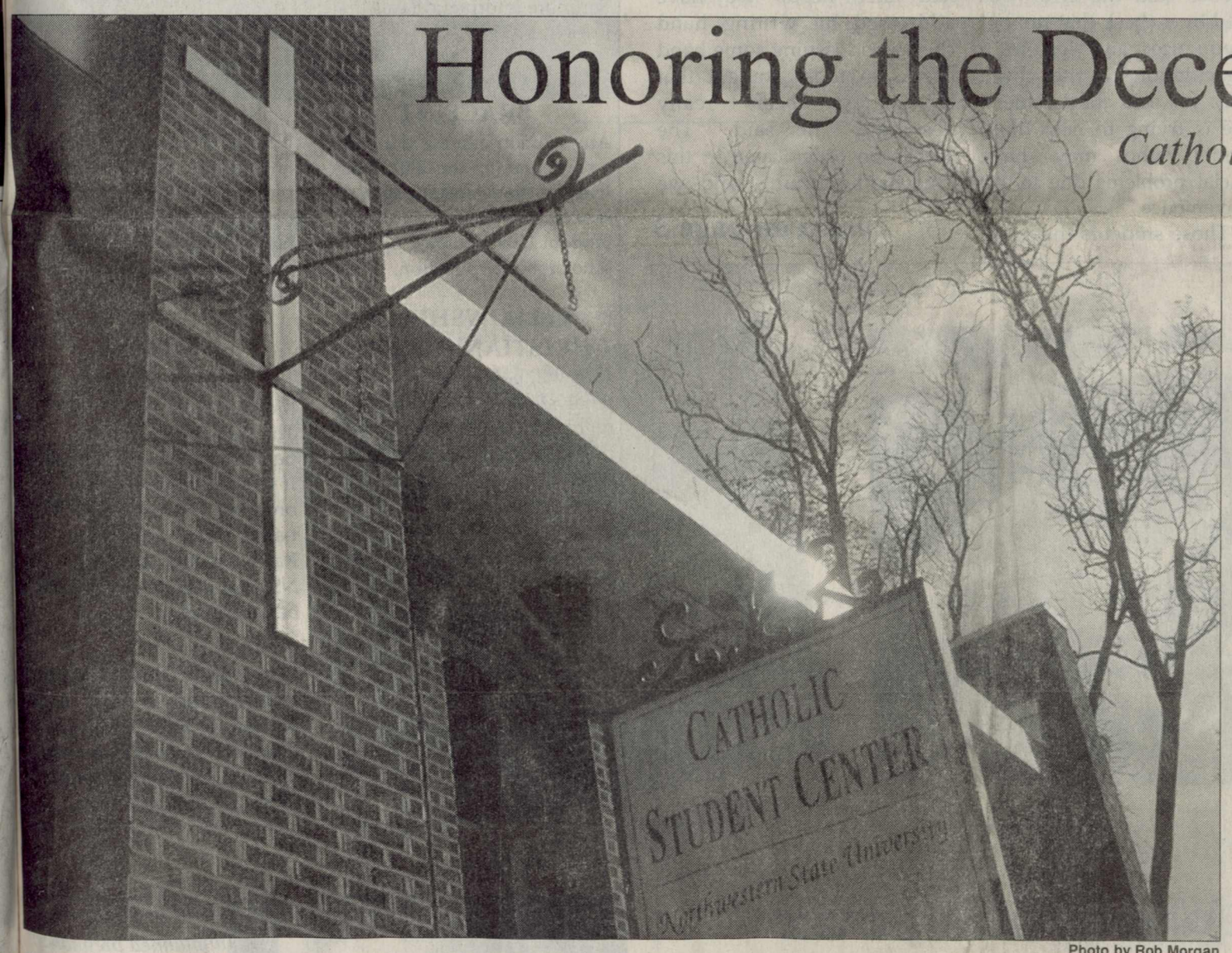


Photo by Rob Morgan

The sun shines and glistens of the facade of the Catholic Student Center. Today, members of the Church will be celebrating All Saints Day, and tommorow they will celebrate All Souls Day. All Saints Day is a day of rememberance and All Souls Day is a day of repentance.

By Rob Morgan
Sauce Reporter

In the wake of Halloween, Catholic churches will honor the deceased Catholic men and women with All Saints Day and All Souls Day.

"They are not perfect, they are sinful like every other human being, but they have been faithful to Christ and now are in Heaven in eternal life," Father Dan O'Connor, pastor of Holy Cross, said.

All Saints Day, which takes place annually Nov. 1, is a day for Catholics to honor the holy men and women who lived their lives as modeled by the life of Christ.

The formal practice dates back to the 9th century, but has roots going back farther to the times of Nero and Constantine, and the cult of the Saints.

"When many of the early Christian martyrs were put to death they gave such perfect witness to Christ both in their lives and at the moment of their deaths that the Christian community-the Church-quickly began to recognize they were saints," Reverend Stephen Chemino said.

The people that held the executed in the high regards of Sainthood became known as the Cult of the Saints.

"It was formalized by the liturgy of the Church and the church began to say...'we will visit the grave sites of people we knew were martyred-they gave their lives in celebration of Christ-and we will celebrate the Mass over the grave site...calling to mind their witness to Christ as our prayer that we will have the courage and the faith to follow as surely in the steps of Christ as they did.'"

"The main practice of All Saints Day is the celebration of the Mass...and we believe that in every Mass as we worship God we are united to those who have gone before us in Heaven and

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SGA moves *Sauce* editor debate to Student Supreme Court

By Garrett Guillotte
Sauce Reporter

The Student Government Association voted Tuesday to send the debate over the fate of Rondray Hill's tenure as editor of *The Current Sauce* and freedom of speech concerns within the SGA constitution to the Student Supreme Court.

"I cannot allow this (debate) to bog down the entire senate," SGA Speaker of the Senate Dustin Floyd said in a brief speech before making the motion, but added that the senate's actions must also "be tempered with consideration."

Floyd then moved to send the issue to the Student Supreme Court, where the court justices would interpret the SGA constitution and recommend a course of action to the Senate. The motion easily passed, with only four of the 34 senators present dissenting and two abstaining.

Hill was surprised at the senate's action, but said, "We just take it to the Supreme Court, let it work out there, let the process go through, and hopefully sooner or later this will be over with."

Hill said he would go over media law with Sauce advisor Neil Ralston to prepare for the Student Supreme Court debate, then "basically tell the Supreme Court what we've been telling everybody else." Hill also said he did not fear losing his job.

> ***"If it was one of us in here and we violated the constitution, I know what would happen."***
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> **Buster Carlisle**
> **SGA Senator**
> **Speaking about Hill's refusal to abide by SGA constitution**

SGA Senator Greg Comeaux, who voted for Floyd's motion to have the Student Supreme Court make a ruling on the debate, said he was anxious to hear the court's decision after hearing several student opinions supporting both removing and keeping Hill in his position, but said he agreed most with students that want the issue resolved or dropped completely. Comeaux said he believed the senate had more important issues to take care of.

SGA Senator Buster Carlisle, one of the senators who voted against Floyd's motion, said, "If it was one of us in here and we violated the constitution, I know what would happen." He refused to comment further.

Floyd said he was not surprised that there were senators opposed to his motion, but said, "I think the senate thought things out very thoroughly. I believe that we're not losing anything by putting a little more time and investigation into this."

Student Supreme Court chief justice Jeremiah Newsom said if Hill disagrees with the court's decision he can appeal it, but added that the court is only interpreting and suggesting and its decision carries no weight by itself.

"The constitution is not going to be changed," Newsom said. "We can't change it. It can only be done by student referendum."

Newsom also said the student senate is not obliged to follow the court's recommendation.

Last week Hill received an undated letter signed by SGA Senator Luke Hutchison giving Hill the senate's formal intent to remove him from his position as *Current Sauce* editor. The letter stated that the vote would take place at Monday's meeting via secret ballot. The secret vote, however, was not on the Monday meeting's agenda and did not take place during the meeting.

Also during the meeting, SGA President Rusty Broussard said he was withholding his signature from a bill requiring *Current Sauce* reporters to allow public viewing of audiotapes or transcripts of all interviews. Broussard said he wanted to collect more information before deciding whether he should sign the bill, which was approved by the senate last week.

Cutting up

SGA helps students get in Halloween spirit

By Garrett Guillotte
Sauce Reporter



Photo by Garrett Guillotte

Rodney Anderson, a junior chemical engineering major, carved a pumpkin with the Student Government Association Monday night. Anderson was joined by about 30 other eager, pumpkin carving University students. Many of the students used the carving session as a time for relaxing, while others used it to express their ideas in art.

Rodney Anderson can't really say what he thinks about the inside of a pumpkin.

"It feels slimy," Anderson, a junior chemical engineering major at NSU, said. "Nice and slimy."

He was scooping out the stringy gunk by hand and tossing it onto newspaper spread under the pumpkin, laughing while grimacing at the feel of the mess. When I asked Anderson which design he would use, he showed me a toothy, wide-eyed, old-fashioned jack-o-lantern and said, "We're going to try it." He kept a cautious emphasis on the word 'try,' though, for Anderson said he hadn't carved a pumpkin in ages.

Fortunately, he didn't have to be alone. Anderson was among almost 30 other NSU students participating in a pumpkin carving class Tuesday. Student Government Association members Chandra Clark and Jessica Cramer organized the class.

Clark, a junior graphic communications major, was usually referred to as "The Teacher." Every few moments she would call out asking people if they needed help while carving her own pumpkin.

"It's Jessica's baby that she... just let me borrow," Clark said.

Clark brought knives, pumpkins, and carving designs for people who couldn't bring their own. Only six people turned out for the last pumpkin class two years ago, Clark said, so the show of students this year made the event a great success.

Anderson traced his design, which the SGA provided, onto the shell of the pumpkin with a black marker, then took a knife to one of the eyes and started carving. Anderson said he just wanted to "come out and have a bit of fun," relax and take some time off before going back home to study for a test the next day.

In a few minutes Anderson was finished, his pumpkin smiling out at the world. He donated the finished jack-o-lantern to Clark and headed back home to study up on his test, a little stickier and smelling of pumpkin but a lot more relaxed and happier.

And what happened to the pumpkin? That night at the senate meeting it sat, grinning, showcased at the foot of SGA President Rusty Broussard.

Clerical error causes delay of refund checks

By Rob Morgan
Sauce Reporter

The Cashiers' Office has run out of vendor's checks due to a clerical error and a computing system change, causing students' refund checks to be delayed.

"We are transitioning over to a new laser check printing capability, (and) we are having some difficulties meeting the timeline," Carl Jones, vice president of business affairs, said. "We executed a check run at the university and incorrect data was entered, and these errors happen...it is just an isolated incident."

Jones said the error was caused by a check that ran out of sequence, and led to a miscalculation of the check supply. He said the Cashiers' Office is trying to help those students who may have financial problems due to the inconvenience.

"Those students that have had dire needs we have addressed by writing hand checks and issuing some hand checks to those student that have just been really desperate," he said. "The checks on order came in this (Tuesday) morning, and we

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The **CSO** will be having weekly **Bible study** every Tuesday at 8 p.m. at the center. Everyone is welcome. There will also be a praise and worship service Wednesday. For any information call Amy Dowden at **352-2615** or email to amyburson@hotmail.com.

BAPTIST COLLEGIATE MINISTRY

The **BCM** will have Wednesday night worship at the BCM, across the street from Watson Library, every Wednesday night. The worship begins at **8:31 p.m.** All students are welcome to attend. The BCM will also host tournaments on Friday and Saturday for: **Spades (teams), Hearts, pool, ping pong and foos ball.** The tournaments will begin at **9:15 p.m.** For more information call the BCM at 352-5464.

CIRCLE K INTERNATIONAL

Circle K International invites you to it's meetings every Tuesday night at 8:30 p.m. in room 320 of the Student Union. For more information call Jessica at 357-5974.

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Any woman interested in being a participant in the **2002 Miss Lady of the Bracelet pageant** should go by room 214 of the Student Union to pick up a scholarship application.

FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN ATHLETES

FCA will be having its weekly fellowship every Tuesday night. The meetings are held in the **athletic field house** on the south end of Turpin Stadium at 8 p.m. There will be a devotional speaker each week. Everyone is welcome to come and join us in praise.

SPANISH CLUB

The Spanish Club would like to invite potential members to its weekly meetings, every Wednesday at 3 p.m. in room 331 of Kyser Hall.

ARGUS

The new editions of *Argus*, the NSU literary and art magazine, are ready and can be picked up for free in room **335 of Kyser hall.**

REGISTRARS' OFFICE

Early registration for the Spring 2002 semester is right around the corner. The dates are as follows: graduate students and seniors - Nov. 7, juniors - Nov. 8, sophomores - Nov. 9. Departmental registration will begin on Nov. 12 and ends on Nov. 16. This is for students with less than 30 hours. Early registration ends on Dec. 14.

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GAVEL CLUB

The monthly mandatory Gavel Club meeting will be hold today at 7 p.m. in the Student Union Ballroom.

Sports

NSU CLUB SOCCER

NSU Club Soccer invites anyone who is interested in playing club soccer to their practices which are held behind Watson library at 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday and Sunday.

Greeks

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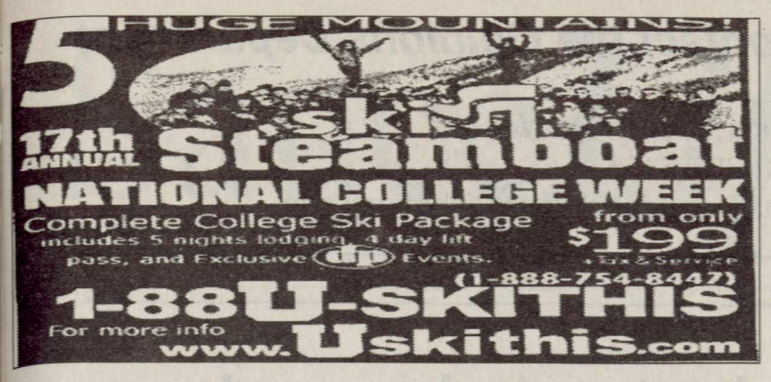
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All Saints

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God," said O'Connor, "on All Saints Day in particular we honor not only the canonized Saints...but all holy men and women of every time."

All Souls Day, Nov. 2, is the day for Catholics to honor and pray for those who died still needing purification before seeing the perfection of God.

"Those souls who are in that state of purgation-we believe-do request our prayers," Chemino said.

A ritual preformed during All Souls Day includes the blessing of cemeteries, or the blessing of all those who have gone before and still awaiting entry into Heaven.

"So we celebrate on Nov. 1 All Saints those that have immediately been admitted into presence of God's glory in Heaven because they died in such a state of perfection and grace," he said, "and the very next day we don't forget the many, many countless people who have lived and died perhaps not in complete perfection at the moment of death, but those who are in a state of cleansing to see this perfection of God."

The contrast between these two days is shown by the congregation's clothing. On the day of All Saints white is worn to display joy and celebration, but on All Souls Day the purple is worn to as a sign of repentance.

Interested in celebrating All Saints/All Souls Day?

All Saints Day Masses
Holy Cross-12:05 p.m.
Church of Immaculate-6:30 a.m.,12:05 p.m. and 5:15 p.m. and
St. Mary's High School-8:05 a.m. and 9:00 a.m.

All Souls Day Masses
Holy Cross-5:15p.m.
Church of Immaculate Conception-6:30 a.m. and 12:05 p.m.

A blessing of cemeterieswill follow the **Church of Immaculate Conception** at 7:15 a.m. in the Immaculate Conception Catholic Cemetery and then proceeding to other cemeteries in Natchitoches.

Refund checks

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will be writing checks tonight to catch up."

Jones said checks are always mailed the day after they are written.

"When we write checks-unless some unknown complication-we always mail them the next day," Jones said, "and we haven't failed in being able to do that."

To avoid further problems, the Cashiers' Office has ordered back-up copies of checks.

"What we have done is reordered the old mainframe checks as a back up," Jones said. "...once we bring the system if it is down again this will not interrupt our check runs."

P.R.I.S.M.S. , new public relations organization, formed

By Kristen Dauzat
Opinions Editor

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PRISMS is similar to the already established Public Relations Student Society of America, PRSSA. This is a nation-wide run firm, and it will give insights and information on Public Relations and also hand out flyers, brochures and pamphlets.

The organization will help to "service all organizations and departments on campus and do their public relations for them," Cheryl Crooks, PRISMS president said.

The charge for this service is free to all of the organizations and departments.

Students interested in using PRISMS's services will be given information and a disk copy in order to begin their publication.

Student organizations that use PRISMS will be responsible for all distribution and publication.

Students do not have to be involved in PRSSA to become involved in PRISMS. A student needs to have either taken a layout and design class, be educated in public relations, or have some type of prior knowledge, such as graphic advertising.

"We are more than happy to give you a project to do," Crooks said.

The office will be located in 225 I of Kyser Hall.

Jennifer Anderson is the faculty consultant and is part of the news bureau. Anderson is also a member of Public Relations Society of America and Public Relations Association of Louisiana. Anderson will have to approve all of the work before it is distributed or published.

Paula Furr, a professor of journalism, is the adviser for the organization.

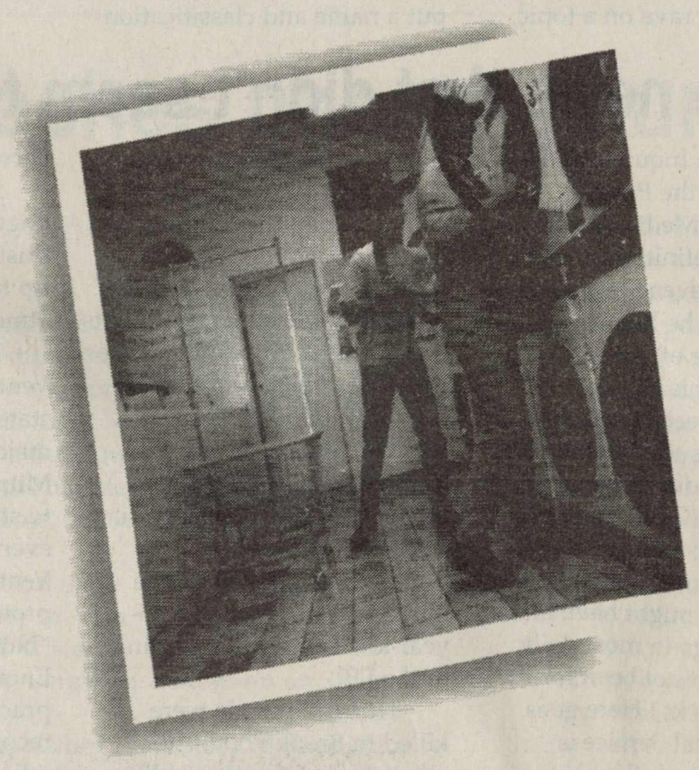
"I know a lot of organizations on campus have a hard time getting their message out," Crooks said. "They aren't really experienced in public relations and don't have any way of getting a brochure done...we will be the outlet for their public relations."

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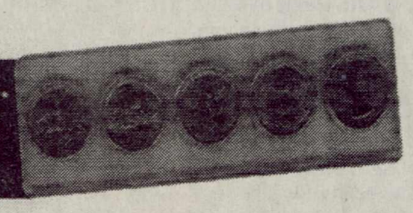
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Columnist

Attention all procrastinators, time to work on homework



J. Manny Guendulay
Column Writer

Check your syllabi folks, because it is crunch time.

October was full of all sorts of festive events: Homecoming, Halloween, even our own Anthrax scare, but as November rears its ugly head, playtime is over.

As a hardened veteran at Northwestern, I can tell you that the most vital assignments in the fall semester have due dates of late November and if you're like me you will probably procrastinate until the last two weeks of classes.

I have spent so many of my late-November nights staring boldly into a computer screen, fighting off sleep with triple espresso shots and cussing myself for not doing my work earlier.

But then again, there's nothing like watching the sunrise from your front porch, coffee cup in hand, smoking a cigarette after your final revision of that 12-page paper you've put off for some wretched upper level class. You know the one I'm talking about, the one you took on a whim, because it sounded so interesting at the time.

So you're finished with the paper, but then the real insanity is just beginning. Its 5:30 in the morning; class isn't until 9, but if you go to sleep now, you will crash hard, comatose for at least 15 solid hours of sleep, missing the study group you scheduled for after lunch and that time you fit in to eat dinner with your girlfriend.

You stare at your bed for just a minute or two in horrid temptation, but you know what has to happen next. *You must stay up!* So you go ahead take that deep breath, smoke another cigarette and brew up some more coffee, maybe even go for some Shipley's for a couple of Kolaches.

For some reason, all of these toxins combined with sleep deprivation makes for such an interesting cocktail.

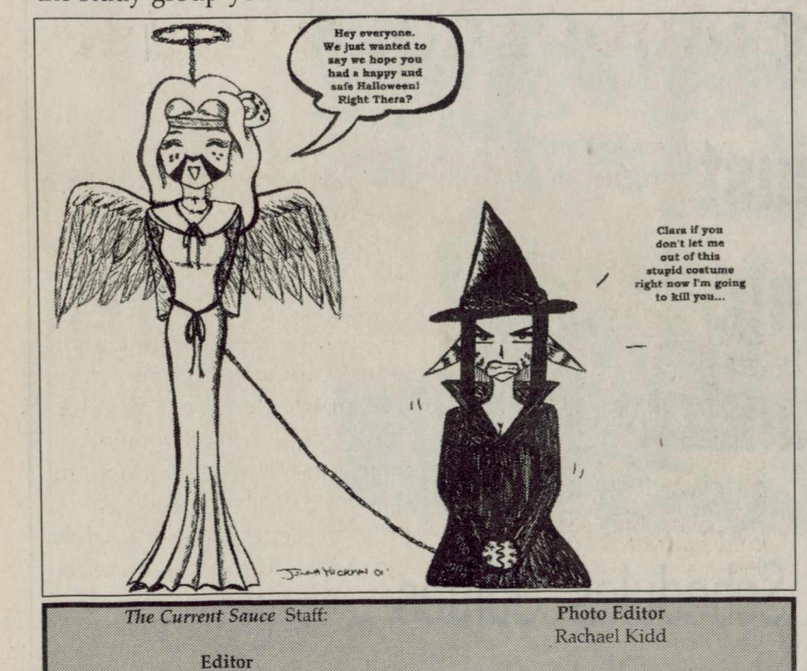
Next thing you know, you're on your 39th hour, and you just remembered that you've got another paper due in two hours.

Your brain tells you that meltdown is imminent, but somehow, you have to find a way to go on.

Before its all over, you've cranked out three papers in 72 straight hours, lost seven hours of your memory, and for some reason you think your watch is set on London Time. It takes Christmas for roll around before your body finally can tell the difference between night and day.

My best advice is not to follow in my footsteps, but hey, I've told myself I wouldn't do this again over and over, but I always do.

Chances are, around the end of November, I'll be on a marathon caffeine binge, along with the rest of the procrastinators. I'll see you then, bright and early at Shipley's.



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Letter to the editor

Why bother? It will just get changed

Shane Erath
Editor-in-chief, Argus

I seem to remember my English 1020 professor saying that the title is the most important part of an essay.

Apparently, Rondray Hill disagrees.

In the Oct. 18 edition of the *Current Sauce*, I wrote an article originally titled "The Phantom Motive" in which I addressed the possible motive behind the Phantom Pooper's attacks: the lack of stall doors in Kyser Hall's bathrooms.

I must thank Rondray for changing the title of my article to a real eye-catcher!

In bold font, the changed title blares that "**Kyser Hall's mens restroom stalls need doors**."

First off, I'd prefer if you at least use correct grammar when you change my titles; that "mens" should be possessive. Feel free to see me Tuesdays and Thursdays in the Writing Center if you need help using possessives.

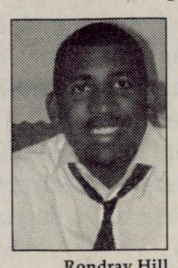
However, what really annoys me about this is that no one bothered to inform me of the change of ask for my permission. It seems to me that if you're going to print an editorial I write, you could have respect enough to contact me if you want to make changes to the work.

The editors of *Literature and the Writing Process* didn't just decide to change the title of "The Lottery" to "Town throws rocks at Tessie Hutchinson!"

So, when you decide to change the title of this article, at least title it something I don't have to be ashamed to have associated with my writing.

Editor's Take

Editor announces new features of the *Current Sauce*



Rondray Hill
Editor's Take

I'm thrilled to let you, the readers, know that we've added some new features to both our weekly newspaper and our online web site, www.currentsauce.com.

The first of our changes is located in the Life section. Now, and every week from here on out, the Life section will feature a crossword puzzle. Many of you have asked me why we have not had a crossword puzzle on at least one of our pages.

You'd be amazed by how many people love crossword puzzles. They can't seem to get enough of them. So we figured it would be a good idea to start giving you guys and girls a weekly crossword puzzle.

As I said before, you can find it in the Life section, and the answers can be found on our web site.

Speaking of our web site, a second feature has been added exclusively to the online site. In the last couple of weeks, many of you have been upset with some of the things I have written about in my editorials. And if you weren't upset, then you may have had some questions or wanted something I wrote to be clarified.

Or maybe you have a take but just don't want to see your work in print. I've talked to many of you who said they have an opinion on an issue, but they just don't feel comfortable writing a long letter.

So we have started a new section online called "Talk Back to the Editor." This section will not only let you vent, rant or rave on a topic, but it will let you get interactive with me and the *Current Sauce* staff. Plus, you can post a topic on any subject that is on your mind.

All you have to do is log on to our web site, www.currentsauce.com (can't mention the web site address enough), and click on the "Talk Back to the Editor" link. You will need to create an account with us in order to post a topic. It's a simple process, and once you're finished, you're in.

Once a week, I will read the responses on the board and I'll respond to some of the best topics.

It could be a question about a story idea, a criticism in my news judgment, or you could just log on to say "Rondray stinks." It's okay.

The only the I ask is that you keep it short, no more than 300 words, and that you put a name and classification on all topics. Topics with no name or classification will not be answered.

We have some exciting things planned with our web site, (one more time) www.currentsauce.com.

Of course, you can still get the latest in NSU news at the site as well. And in the next few days, our web site should have a brand new look to it, as a redesign is almost finished.

But you don't have to wait. Get your crossword puzzle answers online, and if you want to speak out, hit the "Talk back" section.

I'm really interested in seeing what you have to say.

Want to talk to Rondray? Log on to www.currentsauce.com and click on the "Talk Back to the Editor" link. Keep your take less than 300 words and put your name and classification on all topics.

Columnist

All the news that didn't seem to fit

Tim Jones and Vincent Schodolski
Chicago Tribune

Been wondering about Gary Condit and Washington intern Chandra Levy, who seems to have disappeared for a second time?

How about O.J. Simpson, who took the witness stand in Miami last week and - ready for this? - did so without CNN providing non-stop coverage.

They've been shoved to the hind end of the media bus and are now, in their own way, editorial victims of the events triggered by Sept. 11. They're back there with the Social Security lockbox, drilling in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge, Jennifer Lopez's marriage and vigorous dissent.

This is no media conspiracy. After all, television, newspapers and magazines have for years reaped enormous profits from serving up a daily story diet that exceeds the USDA's recommended levels for fat and carbohydrate intake.

James Naughton, the former executive editor of the Philadelphia Inquirer and now president of the Poynter Institute for Media Studies, said the redefinition of news in the past seven weeks is the biggest shift he has seen since the reporting of Watergate.

"What this has done is refresh our recollection of what matters to the point that real news is dominating, in the way that the Condit story and all that other fake news did," Naughton said.

So what might have made the front page in most daily papers had it not been for the terrorist attacks? Here goes.

The Postal Service is pressing to push the price of a first-class stamp to 37 cents, up from 34 cents. Because the Postal Service usually gets what it wants, look for that to arrive in January.

The media-sponsored recount of Florida's presidential vote, the one that is supposed to resolve who won last year's disputed election, is on hold. Plans call for examination of the tally to begin in December.

Toyota and Sony announced they had combined forces to produce a car that smiles, cries and changes colors, depending on how you treat it. Called Pod, the car is normally orange, but it turns blue and produces water on its headlights if it has a flat tire or runs out of gas. No word on how it responds to potholes.

The number of layoffs announced since Sept. 11 topped 410,000, about the size of the city of Atlanta.

The murder rate in the United States reached a 35-year low last year, according to the FBI.

Thirteen people were killed in Brookwood, Ala., when part of the roof of Blue Creek Mine No. 5 fell near a battery charger in the nation's deepest mine. It was the worst mining accident in the United States since 1984.

Former President Bill Clinton was suspended from practicing law before the Supreme Court.

Researchers at Texas A&M University reported that guinea-pig-like rodents from Africa may have crossed the Atlantic Ocean by swimming or rafting along ocean currents.

A global dust storm engulfed Mars, kicking up dust as fine as talcum powder up to 40 miles into the atmosphere.

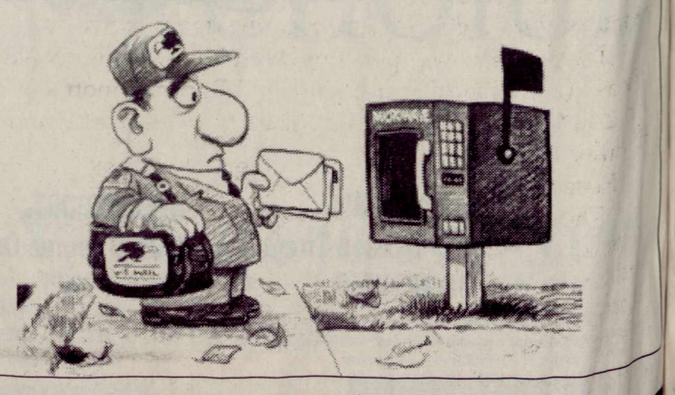
Minnesota Gov. Jesse Ventura urged residents of the state to stop reading the two major daily newspapers in the Minneapolis-St. Paul area and to stop watching the local evening newscasts. That way, Ventura said, residents can protect themselves from the "half-truths, the National Enquirer journalism that's practiced today." Ventura recommended talk radio as the reliable source of information.

O.J. Simpson was acquitted in Miami on charges of road rage. Simpson smiled and said, "Thank you."

And U.S. Rep. Gary Condit, D-Calif., will face a primary challenge from California Assemblyman Dennis Cardoza, who promised that he would not make character an issue. As the San Francisco Chronicle noted, that won't be necessary.

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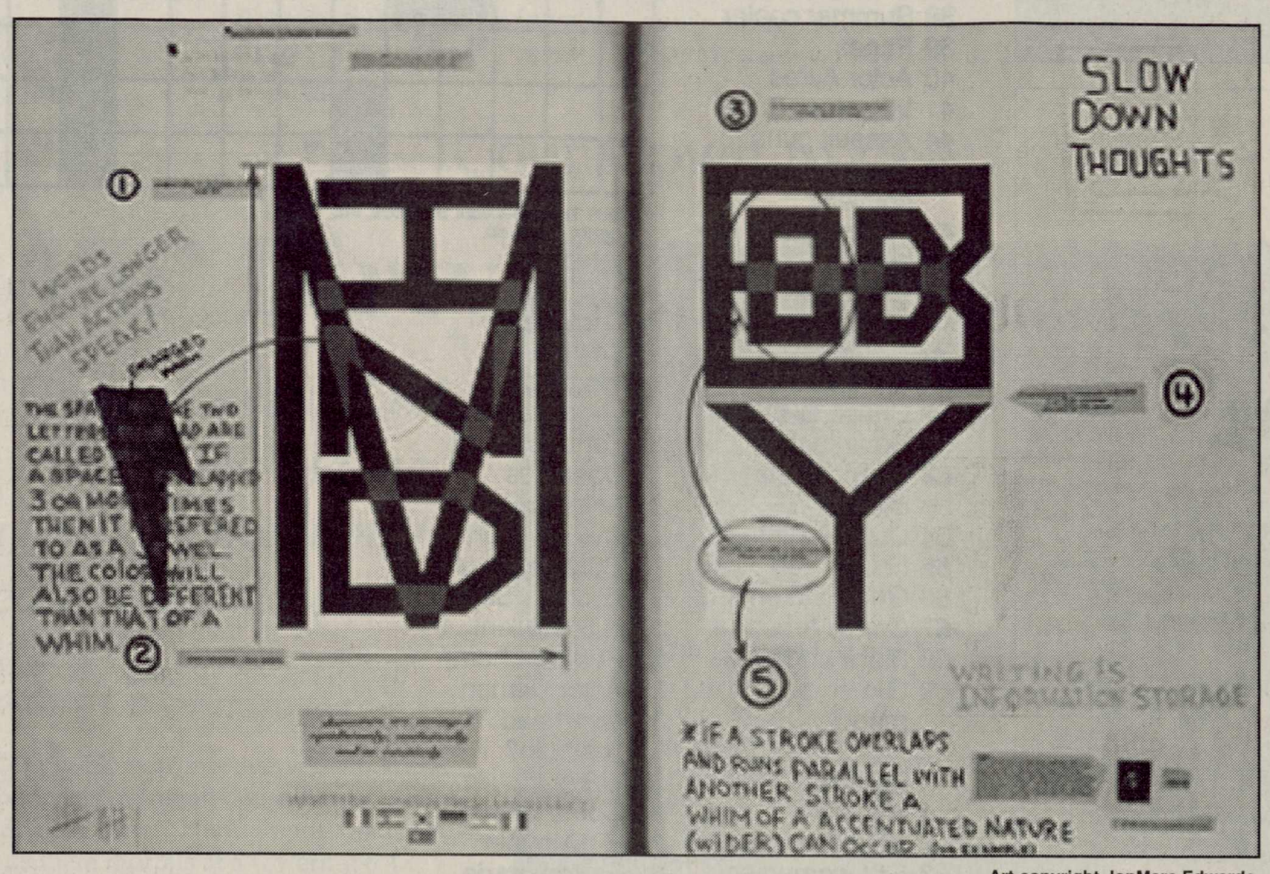


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In Perspective

Artist makes art out of words



Art copyright JonMarc Edwards

Works like this one by JonMarc Edwards are on display at the NSU Orville G. Hanchey art gallery through November.

"I can communicate my inner thoughts and dreams through my art."

- JonMarc Edwards, Artist

By Elona Boggs
Life Editor

When most people see letters, they only see words. When artist JonMarc Edwards sees them, he sees beauty.

"I was always interested in language, letters and words," he said. "People universally learn the same language skills, but interpret them differently – just like art."

Edwards, an artist from Leavenworth, Kansas, has practiced his craft for textual art since Kindergarten. The 42-year-old now lives and works in his studio in Los Angeles. He has worked as a professional artist for 20 years.

"I won an award in Kindergarten. That actually motivated me," he said. "It (art) was one thing I always excelled at, and was something I could do at home."

This month, Edwards' art will be displayed at Northwestern State University's Orville G. Hanchey Gallery. Students can see the collection through November.

Edwards said his collection is a language concept in itself. He has created most of his artwork under the textual device known as "monosyble," a design that employs the elements of sign, image and text.

"It's like a sketchbook, you can see the ideals develop from one sketch to the next," he said. "I would say my work is abstractly based and textually modified."

Edwards has translated his work in eight languages, collaborating with translators to do so.

"Language is abstract, but it's also concrete," he said.

He thinks his text art is a rarity.

"There aren't a lot of people working the way I'm working," he said.

Edwards said being an artist is a difficult career choice, but is worthy of pursuit.

"I can communicate my inner thoughts and dreams through my art," he said. " I feel like it's a whole universe to explore."

Natchitoches ghosts haunt Magnolia Plantation, courthouse

By Dominique Irvin
Sauce Reporter



Photo courtesy Courthouse

The city courthouse is rumored to be haunted.

Every year children prepare for Halloween with scary costumes and even scarier stories. They tell stories about haunted houses and scary creatures in far off places. But how many of us know about the haunted places right under our noses, in and around Natchitoches?

"Most of our ghost stories are taken as truth from history or from actual folk records," said Kristen Koehn, curator of the Old Courthouse Museum on Second Street.

One story taken from history is the story of Saint Maurice Plantation. Travelers would be put up for the night and the owners would cut their throats, rob them and then throw then into a well on the property.

"They killed 40 people this way," Koehn said.

The owners were eventually caught and hanged. Legend has it that the ghosts of the murdered people burned down the plantation in the 1970s.

Magnolia Plantation, south of Natchitoches is also haunted. The overseer was killed by Union soldiers and buried in hallowed ground in the front yard. Poltergeist are said to haunt the area and people report hearing "…weird creaky noises and things falling without explanation," Koehn said.

One ghost story that could have an explanation is the Legend of Victoria. Victoria was a town near Robeline in the late 1800s. People claim to see flames and smoke coming out of the woods around the remains of the town. The flames and smoke seem to be headed in the direction of the Shiloh Cemetery near Provencal. There is no record of a cemetery in Victoria so people claim that the flames are the souls of the dead residents of Victoria, looking for a resting place. "Probably…they're actually seeing the…natural gases that come out of the swamp," Koehn said.

Even the Old Courthouse has a story. There is a long crack in the wall on the back stairway. There used to be a door there that went from the old courtroom to the jail. The staff began telling people that the crack was from criminals trying to escape from the boarded up courtroom. What started out as a joke got around as a real ghost story. Koehn said that is how ghost stories start.

"It's just that little grain of truth of something and it gets passed down and expanded and pretty soon everyone's heard or seen the ghost," she said.

Another story with a little grain of truth is The Witch of Bayou Pierre, which happens to be Koehn's favorite story.

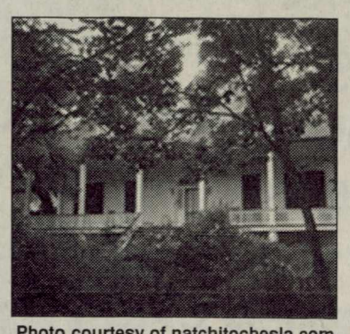


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Magnolia Plantation has its own ghosts as well.

"It has some good…historical facts in it. The people…actually existed," Koehn said.

The story is about a girl named Sabine who was kidnapped on October 17. The kidnappers attacked Sabine's uncle, who tried to help her and took her from her home. The girl's grandmother was a witch and she, in turn put a curse on Ocase Bowles and his men for taking Sabine. On the 17th of each month, a man appeared and killed one of Bowles men until all of them were dead.

Some say you can still hear the shots and the grandmother's laughter at twilight on the 17th of each month.

"We know that the granddaughter was kidnapped but whether or not the grandmother put a curse upon the gang or if the uncle…stalked them until the entire gang was dead, no one knows," Koehn said.

Natchitoches/NSU Symphony to perform concert Nov. 8

The Natchitoches - Northwestern Symphony Orchestra will present works by Dvorak and Rachmaninoff when it performs in concert Thursday, Nov. 8 at 7:30 p.m. in Magale Recital Hall. Richard Rose is the conductor.

Natchitoches-Northwestern Symphony Society season ticket holders are admitted free with their tickets. NSU students are admitted with their I.D. Tickets at the door are $10.

The orchestra will perform Dvorak's "Symphony No. 9 in E Minor" (New World Symphony) and Rachmaninoff's "Concerto No. 2 in C Minor" featuring Assistant Professor of Piano Nikita Fitenko.

Rose says the entire concert is "very romantic."

"The audience should leave with a good feeling," he said. "The concert will be emotionally demanding, not only of the audience but also the orchestra. Both pieces especially the Dvorak Symphony take every ounce of physical and emotional energy the musicians have. You feel tired but very good when you are finished. It is very rewarding to perform."

Dvorak got the ideas for the "New World Symphony" while visiting the United States, but finished it in his native Czechoslovakia.

"It is melodious. American folk based but it is definitely a Slavic piece of music," said Rose. "It has very beautiful melodies. The second movement, "Largo" is probably the most famous."

Rose said the symphony was originally thought to be Dvorak's fifth, but four earlier symphonies were later found.

"That is part of a strange phenomenon among 19th century composers such as Schubert, Beethoven and Dvorak that none of them wrote more than nine symphonies," said Rose.

According to Rose, Rachmaninoff's concerto is "one of the standards."

"The orchestra is involved more in the piece than just being an accompanist. There is a great deal of dialogue between the orchestra and piano," said Rose. "Rachmaninoff is one of the most underrated orchestrators in history. His use of tone colors combining the different instruments is just fantastic."

Fitenko, a first-year faculty member at Northwestern is making his debut with the Natchitoches-Northwestern Symphony.

A native of St. Petersburg, Russia, graduated from the St. Petersburg Conservatory with a Citation for Excellence in piano performance given to only five other graduates in the last 50 years. After being awarded a "City of Weimar" stipend from East Germany, he made his formal debut in 1992 with the St. Petersburg Capella Symphony and has performed throughout Europe.

Fitenko continued his studies at the University of North Texas where he received the Anton Rubinstein Memorial Award. In 1995, he was awarded top prizes in the Beethoven International Competition of the Houston Symphony. Since 1996, Fitenko has worked with the Altarus Records Co. to record a series of contemporary Russian piano music.



The Tragedy of Frankenstein

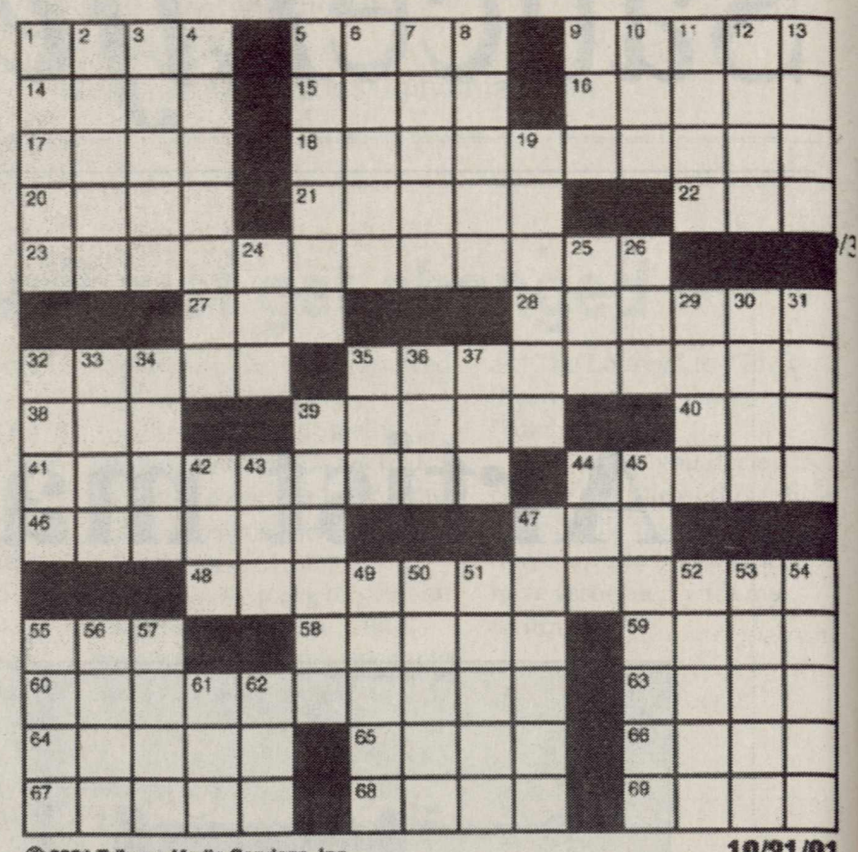
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Pictured here are cast members of NSU's production of *The Tragedy of Frankenstein*.

NSU Theatre will perform its production through Sunday.

Students can pick up tickets to the performance at the ticket office in A.A. Fredrick's Auditorium.

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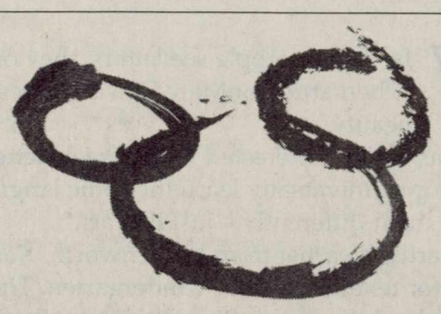


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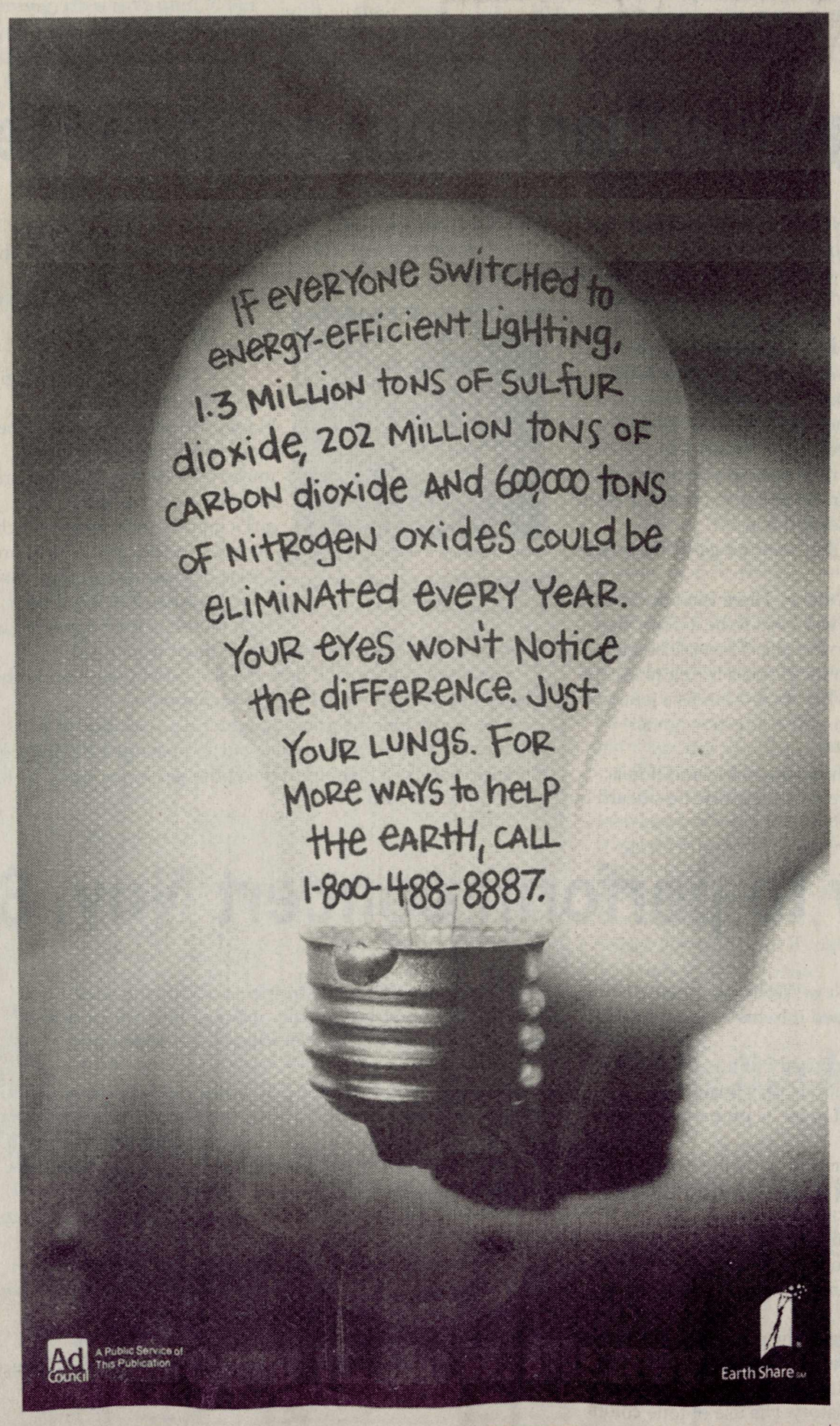
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Make no mistake, Demons not looking past SWT

By Rondray Hill
Editor

This question was posed to Demon wideout Devon Lockett yesterday afternoon.

Are the Demons looking past the 0-3 conference record of Southwest Texas and thinking about McNeese State two weeks from now?

"No," Lockett said.

That's all he said.

"No."

He, along with coach Steve Roberts, think that Demons' 42-17 win against Jacksonville State hasn't given them a false sense of security.

"I think that our team is a little more mature than they were at this time last year," Roberts said. "We will learn a little about our team's mauturity this week."

The scenarios are similar between last year's team, who went into Southwest Texas with a four-game winning streak only to leave on the start of a four game losing streak, and this year's team.

The Demons head to San Marcos this week on a three-game wining streak. They also have McNeese and Stephen F. Austin, both of whom are ranked , right behind SWT.

But the Demons have to face an SWT team wit one of the best pass defenses in the conference this week.

"It's going to be a big deal for our offense," Lockett said. "We will have to see how we do against a pass defense that returns 10 starters on defense."



Photo by Gary Hardamon

The Demon football team, and the Purple Swarm seen here, say they're focused on Southwest Texas. NSU takes on McNeese next week.

Countdown to tipoff

Ridin' Dirty

Lady Demon center Emily Huey talks about life, near-death, and all the things needed to be a 'soldier'.

Mindy Mixon
Sauce reporter

Senior Emily Huey wants everyone to know "that just because you're tall doesn't mean your a mean fighting machine." Huey stands heads above the rest of us mere mortals at a towering 6'4.

"I like being tall - you get lots of attention."

The irony is that Huey is a fighting machine. She is currently battling stomach ulcers, which have put her in the hospital twice in the last two months.

"The ulcers are stress related, so anything could activate them. I could bleed to death - the last time I was in the hospital, which was three days ago, I almost had to have a blood transfusion - it's very serious."

She's got two weeks before the start of the season and she's "trying the best that she can. I am the only senior on the team -this is my year and I need to shine."

The team doctor did not even try to dissuade her from playing. "He knows I won't stop anyway because I'm a soldier."

Sounds like a fighting machine to me.

Her dad influenced her basketball career from the beginning - way back in the sixth grade when Emily was a "tall, uncoordinated fat girl who needed to play a sport."

By her sophomore year, universities all around the country wanted the Alice, Texas native to represent their school and shoot for their team.

" I chose Northwestern because I loved the environment - it was so homey. The people, president, and coaches - we really connected. I fit in well here."

"Her height and ability to shoot - she's a natural shooter," assistant coach Stephanie Graf said. "To be so big she has a soft touch on the ball."

Huey's infamous for providing entertainment for the team. "I sing and dance all the time - in the locker room, in the shower, on the bus. The girls are always like 'Emily be quiet' but I love to sing."

"Emily is a unique individual," assistant coach Kia Converse commented. "She's a fun-going

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Countdown to Tipoff

The Current Sauce is featuring two Demon basketball players in the weeks leading up to the 2001-2002 Basketball preview.

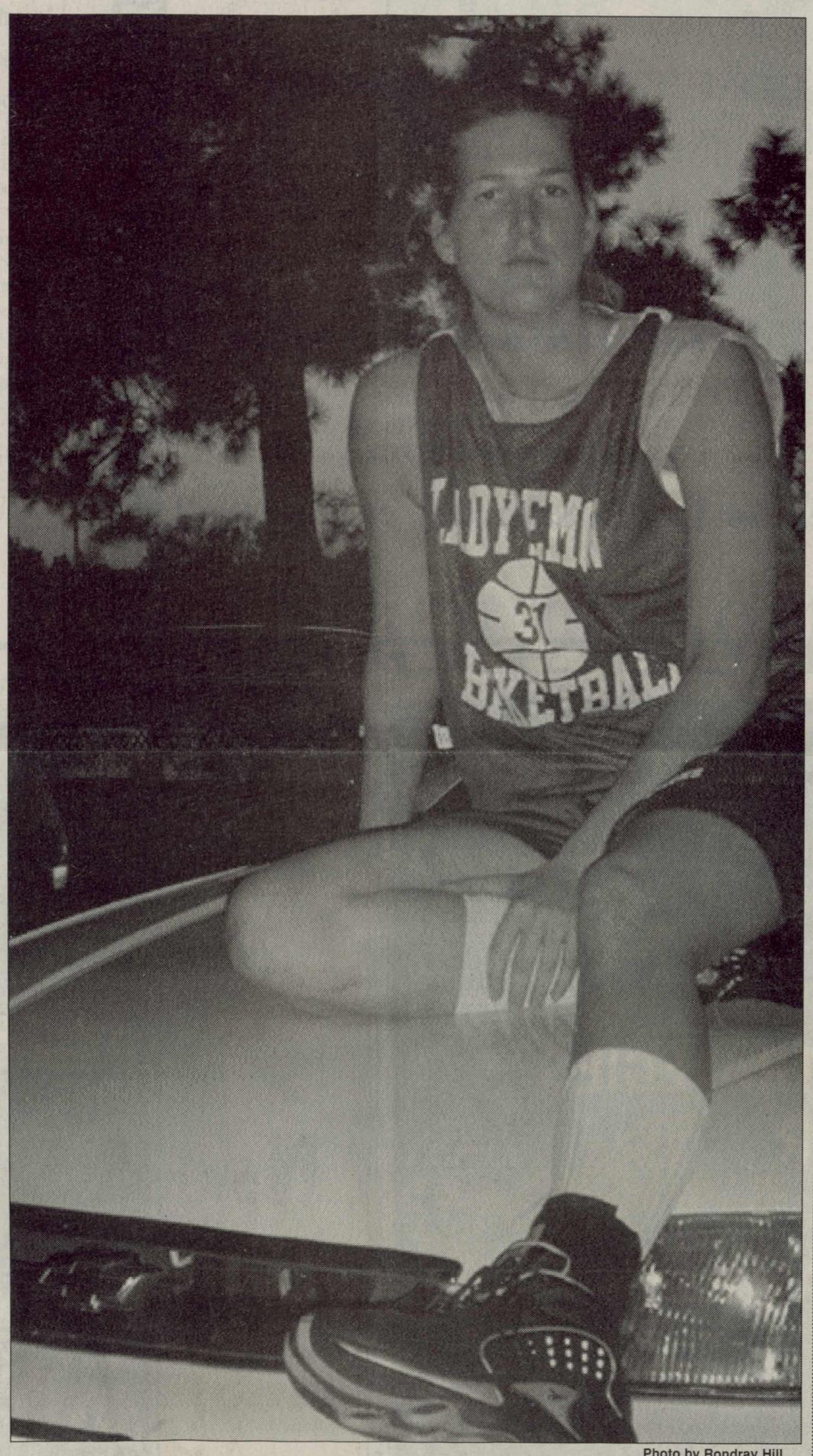


Photo by Rondray Hill

Emily Huey, seen here sitting on her 1998 Chevy Monte Carlo, says she's a 'Soldier'. She says that because even though she was in the hospital three days ago, "the doctor didn't try to stop me from playing. Huey and the Lady Demons are hoping that the Soldier mentality will help them get to the NCAA tournament this season.

Former Demon, Viking Thibodeaux signed by Green Bay Packers

story courtesy of Green Bay Packers

The Green Bay Packers have signed veteran cornerback Keith Thibodeaux, a fourth-year professional and a recent Minnesota Viking, GM/Head Coach Mike Sherman announced.

Linebacker Andre O'Neal was released to make room for the 27-year-old Northwestern (La.) State alumnus.

Thibodeaux, 5-11 and 189 pounds, had posted five tackles for Minnesota from his defensive back position and two additional special teams stops this season before being placed on waivers Oct 15.

A year earlier, he had been one of the Vikings' premier special teams performers, posting 11 tackles, nine of them unassisted, while playing in all 16 games. He also weighed in with 19 tackles as a defensive back, 17 of them solo stops, an one interception among four passes defensed.

Thibodeaux, originally was a fifth-round selection of the Washington Redskins in the 1997 NFL draft, the 140th player chosen. Despite playing behind veterans Darrell Green and Chris Dishman in the Washington secondary as a rookie, Thibodeaux played in 15 games and finished the season with 14 total tackles, one pass defensed and one forced fumble. He also posted four tackles on special teams.

Waived by the Redskins Aug. 25, 1998, he was out of football during the '98 season, subsequently signing with the Atlanta Falcons as a free agent on Feb. 5, 1999. Waived Nov. 2, 1999, after playing in eight games for Atlanta, he signed with Minnesota on Nov. 4, 1999, and played in three games for the Vikings before being placed on injured reserve Dec. 23 with a shoulder injury. With Atlanta, he posted four tackles as a defensive back and one solo stop on special teams, later registering three special teams tackles after signing with the Vikings Nov. 4.

Thibodeaux remained on Minnesota's roster through the 2000 season. Terminated March 2, 2001, he later re-signed as a free agent July 27, 2001, and was with the Vikings through the first five weeks of the regular season before being waived Oct. 15.

The newcomer has been assigned jersey number 22.

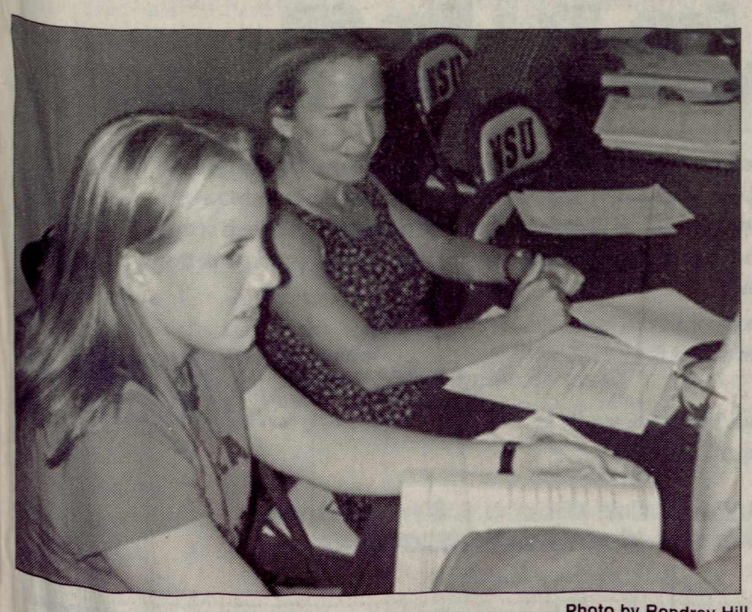


Photo by Rondray Hill

Junior Tenille Fogel and compliance director Julie Lessiter meet with NCAA re-certification officials at one of yesterday's meetings.

NCAA, NSU begin re-certification of program

Rondray Hill
Editor

NSU Athletic department officials met with NCAA officials yesterday to start the process of re-certifying the school's NCAA Division I status.

Yesterday's meetings signaled the begining of the the a process that the NCAA makes all of its member schools undergo.

"We're here to explain what the institution has to do to remain a Division I school," Gordon Finch, a member of the NCAA's review team said. "We review with everyone what the NCAA requires."

Under the requirements, NSU has a year to complete a self-study of the program. In it, they must address weaknesses in the areas of academic integrity, financial integrity and gender and race-related issues.

After the self-study is completed, the department has to go through a peer review. This group will evaluate the report and make their own suggestions on certain items. Once the peer review is completed, all of the information is sent to the NCAA for certification.

"It's a lot like the accreditation process for academic programs," Athletic Director Greg Burke said. "The NCAA basically walks us through it. We do an evaluation on their parameters, forward them the information, and they evaluate it and make a decision."

Once the NCAA gets the report, they have the option of giving NSU ful certification, certification with conditions, and non-certification.

"I'm looking forward to it," Burke said. "We try to have a department that meets the needs of the students, so this will give us an opportunity to see where we stand."

The process should be completed by 2003.

Emily

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person who loves to talk and gets along with everyone."

Upon obtaining her psychology degree this May, Emily will either pursue her master's or began working right away with children in Texas. She'll have plenty of experience through her work with the Psychology Club here on campus.

"I am the Vice-president for the club and right now we are working with children who have AIDS. We are sponsoring fundraisers so that we can take them to Camp Laurel where they are allowed to be regular kids - they are around the same type of people as them. They don't have to worry about being around someone and hugging people - they can be themselves."

The Lady Demon's upcoming season looks promising if the Preseason poll results are any indication of success. The Demon's were pegged second to finish in the Southland Conference behind fierce rival Stephen F. Austin.

"They've been our rival for years -if you like SFA, you aren't right in the head."

"This year is our best chance - we have ton's of talent and the freshmen are learning so quick. They are picking up the team already."

A win against SFA will be necessary to fulfill Huey's goal for this season.

"I'm not worried about individual records - I'm worried about the team as a whole, how we are going to end up in the end because I want to make it all the way to the dance this year."

Sounds like a fighting machine to me.

Rodriguez Doubtful; Demons move up in polls

Northwestern State will probably have to play Saturday's regionally-televised game at Southwest Texas State without preseason All-American linebacker Kurt Rodriguez, who is listed as "doubtful" after successful surgery Monday on his right wrist.

Rodriguez suffered a dislocation in the wrist on the first play of the game Saturday, but was able to play 12 more snaps later in the first half of the Demons' 42-17 win over nationally-ranked Jacksonville State. He had a pin inserted in the wrist Monday and could possibly be able to return to action Saturday, said trainer Ed Evans, although that is unlikely.

Demons up in polls.

The Demons are now the top-ranked team among Southland conference schools, moving up to No.11 in the Sports Network poll.

11. NSU
12. McNeese
19. Sam Houston
22. SFA

The 12th-ranked Demons (6-2 overall, 2-1 in conference play) are among four teams bunched atop the Southland Football League standings with only one conference defeat. To keep pace with McNeese State, Stephen F. Austin and Sam Houston State, Northwestern must win Saturday afternoon in a 1:30 game at Southwest Texas (4-4, 0-3) to be televised by Fox Sports Net.

Rodriguez, a New Orleans-Holy Cross product, was the leading tackler in the conference last year. He ranks second on the Demon squad this year with 51 stops and eight tackles for lost yardage, while leading the team with two fumble recoveries.

His replacement would be redshirt freshman Johnnie Hamilton of Monroe-Ouachita, who had 17 tackles, including five in last Saturday's win over Jacksonville State.

Demon coach Steve Roberts said his team had a "tremendous" Tuesday practice in Turpin Stadium, "one of the best days we've had this year.

"The kids came out really focused and gave great effort," said Roberts.

"We got a super job from the scout team players who gave us a great look at what Southwest Texas likes to do offensively and defensively. It was a tremendous day of work for us."

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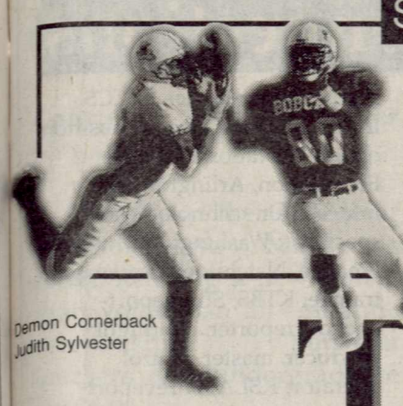

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ROTC Ranger Cadet Ruth Rassmussen

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Sauce Briefs

No suspects found in anthrax hoax

By Rob Morgan
Sauce Reporter

The University Police have not found any suspects in the telephoned anthrax scare at Russell Hall last Tuesday.

According to Chief Rickie Williams the only leads they have are three calls placed from pay phones that occurred the day of the incident, and the location of the three phones.

The penalty for this type of 'prank' falls under terrorizing and carries a fine of not more than $15,000, a prison sentence of no more than 15 years or both.

University assists Jena High students

Courtesy News Bureau

NSU will sign an agreement with LaSalle Parish School Superintendent Cary McGuffee Nov. 12. The agreement is part of Northwestern's High School Articulation Initiative to bring college courses to area schools, according to Susan Moak Nealy, coordinator of Carl D. Perkins Programs at NSU.

This spring, seniors at Jena will be able to take Computer 1020 and Education 2020 during the normal high school schedule. The university requires computer literacy for all students and Computer 1020 is a requirement for several degree plans. Education 2020 is a required course for all education majors.

Eligibility requirements for the program currently include a 2.75 cumulative grade point average, a composite score of 18 on the ACT and the recommendation of the school principal. Students must also submit an undergraduate application for admission, proof of immunization and pay Northwestern's $20 application fee.

For more information on the program, call Nealy at (318) 357-5721, Melissa Giering in NSU's Office of Admissions and Recruiting at (800) 426-3754 or Rick Williams in the University College's Office of Academic Advising at (318) 357-5873.

SGA plans to raise $9,400 for New York relief

By Rob Morgan
Sauce Reporter

The Student Government Association kicked off a fundraising campaign Wednesday to support the New York Fire Department.

Gov. Mike Foster announced on Oct. 16 that Ferrara Fire Apparatus Inc. would donate time to build a "pumper" truck for the NYFD. The truck will be named "The Spirit of Louisiana," and will be delivered on Christmas Day.

"He asked all the departments within the state to help with this program, and our system (the University of Louisiana School System) picked up on it and said, 'let's get on it,'" Rusty Broussard, SGA president, said.

The set monetary goal for the entire fundraising program, called "Bucks for Trucks," is $500,000. NSU's goal is $9,400.

"We had a teleconference where the SGA's from our system...got together and decided on the goals," Broussard said. "We decided $1 per student per institution, so therefore our goals for each institution is based on our student enrollment."

In attendance for the Wednesday's event were Broussard, University President Randall Webb and Natchitoches Mayor Wayne McCullen. The first donation made to the fund was given by Webb, and later matched by McCullen.



Photo by Rob Morgan
Mayor Wayne McCullen and University president Randall Webb look at a fire truck that is similar to the one that will be sent to the New York Fire Department.

Broussard would was satisfied with the turn out of the event.

"I didn't think that many people would show up, but it was amazing," he said.

The money put up by Webb and McCullen are the initial donations, but Broussard does not think it will be hard to get a $1 out of each NSU student.

"Usually people have that in the spare change in their pocket, and people can give it out," he said.

The next event used to gather donations for "Bucks for Trucks" will be the "Coffeehouse Out on a Limb." The event will be in the Alley on Monday at 8 p.m. Fliers will be located around campus about "Bucks for Trucks."

Tommy MacDonald, fleet supervisor for NYFD, appreciates all the help his city has received from the nation.

"They (Louisiana) are not the only ones offering help, we are in the position to accept any help we can get," he said.

"The Spirit of Northwestern"



Practice makes perfect

Photo by Rachael Kidd
University band member Aaron Savoie practices on his euphonium. The "Spirit of Northwestern" band is preparing for its 13th Annual Northwestern State Marching Band Contest. The "Spirit of Northwestern" band is proud to be hosting the event, which takes place on Saturday.

By Garrett Guillotte
Sauce Reporter

Between cancellations and road trips, it has been an unusual season for the Demon "Spirit of Northwestern" marching band. Now they look to relax and show off to a hungry home crowd with a pair of upcoming home events.

Director of Athletic Bands Jeff Matthews said the terrorism-related cancellation of the home football game against Gardner-Webb was the biggest problem in an otherwise excellent season.

"We've had a great year," Matthews said of the 312-member combined marching band, color guard, and danceline. Matthews said five Northwestern State band members - Melissa Gilliam, Chris McCardle, Michael Vizier, Melanie Davis and Michael Barron - toured with prestigious professional drum corps this year, competing with and against the best marching musicians in the country. In addition, two instructors for the world champion Rosemont Cavaliers drum corps.

Not bad for a transition year that saw Matthews take the reins of the athletic bands from now Director of Bands Bill Brent.

But a sparse home game schedule, coupled with the Gardner-Webb cancellation on Sept. 15, means the home crowd hasn't seen much of the "Spirit of Northwestern." The Demon band will get a chance to show off at home Saturday when they host the 13th Annual Northwestern State Marching Band Contest. Thirty-three high school bands from around and outside the state will compete, with the "Spirit of Northwestern" performing at the end.

Then on Nov. 16 the band is scheduled to perform its second annual jamboree in A. A. Fredericks Auditorium. The band plans to play material from all of the season's shows, from the patriotic standards from the first home game to the recent eclectic Jetsons/Willie Nelson/Percy Sledge show. The show will also include a preview performance of Duke Ellington favorites for the last regular season home game on Nov. 17 against Stephen F. Austin and a selection of songs played in the bandstand at football games. The NSU Brass Ensemble and Jazz Orchestra is also slated to perform.

"All proceeds from the concert goes to the band's operational funds," Matthews said. Operational funds pay for travel expenses and equipment. Tickets for the jamboree are $5 in advance and $7 at the door. NSU students can get a free ticket with their ID. For ticket information, call 357-4522.

Wesley Foundation/SAB host 'Godstock' 2001

By Mindy Mixon
Sauce Reporter

Christian rock music - Generation X's answer to modern-day spiritualism. Last Friday the Student Activities Board and the Wesley Foundation teamed up with various religious organizations on campus to sponsor 'Godstock.' Musicians from all over the state showed up to participate in this Battle of the Bands.

"There are fourteen bands," manager Matt Drummond said. "Each band gets fifteen minutes and there's a cash prize at the end."

Cash prizes totaling $600 were given out, but all proceeds go to Northwestern student Ross Kaplan, who was injured in a car accident earlier this year.

"We're trying to raise money to help him out," Andy Jacobs, special coordinator at the Wesley Foundation, said. "All profit goes to him, no one will profit for this. I also wanted to bring Christian music to campus. I thought it would be a good break - come out and have fun."

Although money was at stake, the bands maintained a winning attitude.

"I don't think we will win," Ben Purtle, participant, said. "We'll probably come in last place - I'm shooting for last place. If there's any

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Photo by Glen Ward
Bassist James Scott leaped off of the stage and into the crowd during his band's performance last Friday. Scott is a member of the *Daniel LarRusso* band. Members of The Foundation hope to make 'Godstock' an annual event.

University officials rededicate Nelson Hall

By Rob Morgan
Sauce Reporter

Lee H. Nelson Hall has officially become the headquarters of the National Center for Preservation Technology and Training.

"The NCPTT was an entity established under the National Park Service in 1992, and we function to develop new preservation technology for cultural resources...and museum collections," Mary F. Striegel, Ph.D., said.

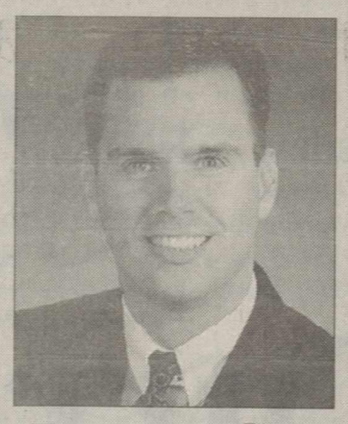
A ribbon cutting ceremony took place Wednesday at 9 a.m. and was followed by an open house at 10:15 a.m. People in attendance included University President Randall Webb, Mayor Wayne McCullen, Robert Collins, Louisiana Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer and Chief Rufus Davis of the Caddo-Adai tribe.

The NCPTT has three main components: research, training and information management according to Streigel. In addition to the function of NCPTT, it houses some very exclusive equipment.

"We have an environmental exposure facility that is a world-class research facility," Striegel said. "We operate one of only three operating environmental chambers that look at the effects of air pollution on cultural materials such as, limestone, marble, bronze."

NCPTT came to the Northwestern campus through legislation drafted in 1992 by Senator Bennett Johnston. The legislation stated the national sender would be established, and created the Preservation and Technology Advisory Board. The legislation created a preservation technology and training grant program, and it stated the center would be established on Northwestern's campus.

"We feel that in today's era with internet communication the world is really wide open, and we could be anywhere. But we feel very fortunate to be here in Natchitoches," she said.



File Photo

Mike Farley, a member of the National Interfraternity Conference, will speak on Nov. 13, at 7 p.m. in the ballroom. Farley will speak about leadership issues, goal setting, team building and communicating. His presentation, called "Sacred Cows Make The Best Hamburgers," is open to al students.

SGA passes legislation; bathroom stall doors to be reinstalled in Kyser

By Bess Renfrow
Sauce Reporter

The SGA passed legislation Monday night requiring doors to put on all bathroom stalls in Kyser Hall.

Bill FA01-017 states that privacy, especially in the restroom, is the right of every student and that doors ensure this privacy.

Since the restroom stalls lack doors, they also lack privacy. This lack of privacy is the main concern of the bill.

"Nobody ever uses those (restrooms without doors) because they don't want everyone to see them do their business," Jennifer Marquez, sophomore business administration major, said.

Privacy is a major concern to students, especially when it concerns the restroom. Most students feel there is no point in having a restroom where the stalls have no doors.

"I think it's wrong that there are no doors for the stalls because of the issue of privacy," ShaDonna Sims, sophomore psychology major, said. "Someone shouldn't have to worry about trying to find a stall with a door on it."

The problem is more common in the men's restroom than in the women's.

"I realize that nobody wants to be seen doing that, but personally I don't want to see anybody doing that," Wade Johnson, senior business administration major, said. "No one wants to go into a restroom where you can see everything that goes on in there."

Senator Luke Hutchison sponsored the bill. This is Hutchison's first term as a Senator, but he had considered this problem before his appointment to the SGA.

"When I took the oath, it was already something that was on my mind," Hutchison said.

Although several students have a problem with the missing doors, the doors were removed because of student complaints. There was vandalism, mainly holes to the walls separating the stalls. This caused many students to feel insecure in their privacy also.

"Basically, it was a preventive measure that didn't work," Loran Lindsey, director of the physical power plant, said.

The physical power plant will be replacing bathroom doors within the next few weeks.

'Godstock'



Photo by Glen Ward

Jordan Johnson, drummer for *Agent Yellow*, throws together an aggressive set during Friday's performance.

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way we can go lower, then that's what I want."

Keeping with the true spirit of rock concerts, groupies came out in droves.

"I'm here to support the Daniel Larrusso band," Stacey Hammond said. "I am from Louisiana Tech and their new hit song 'Want Some Cereal' is awesome, the greatest ever. I am their #1 fan."

The Foundation intends to make 'Godstock' an annual event.

Campus Connections

ORGANIZATIONS

Disney

Disney is giving a presentation about paid internships **next Thursday at 5 p.m. in Russell Hall Room 107.** All majors and college levels are eligible.

Catholic Student Organization

The **CSO** will be having weekly **Bible study** every Tuesday at 8 p.m. at the center. Everyone is welcome. There will also be a praise and worship service Wednesday. For any information call Amy Dowden at **352-2615** or email to amyburson@hotmail.com.

Baptist Collegiate Ministry

The **BCM** will have Wednesday night worship at the BCM, across the street from Watson Library, every Wednesday night. The worship begins at **8:31 p.m.** All students are welcome to attend. For more information call the BCM at 352-5464.

Circle K International

Circle K International invites you to it's meetings every Tuesday night at 8:30 p.m. in room 320 of the Student Union. For more information call Jessica at 357-5974.

Lady of the Bracelet

Any woman interested in being a participant in the **2002 Miss Lady of the Bracelet pageant** should go by room 214 of the Student Union to pick up a scholarship application.

Fellowship Christian Athletes

FCA will be having its weekly fellowship every Tuesday night. The meetings are held in the **athletic field house** on the south end of Turpin Stadium at 8 p.m. There will be a devotional speaker each week. Everyone is welcome to come and join us in praise.

Spanish Club

The Spanish Club would like to invite potential members to its weekly meetings, every Wednesday at 3 p.m. in room 331 of Kyser Hall.

Argus

The new editions of *Argus*, the NSU literary and art magazine, are ready and can be picked up for free in room **335 of Kyser hall.**

Registrars' Office

Early registration for the Spring 2002 semester is right around the corner. The dates are as follows: graduate students and seniors - Nov. 7, juniors - Nov. 8, sophomores - Nov. 9. Departmental registration will begin on Nov. 12 and ends on Nov. 16. This is for students with less than 30 hours. Early registration ends on Dec. 14.

Counseling and Career Services

The following companies have sent correspondence to CCS informing us of current position openings:National Science Foundation, Arlington, Va.-information technology specialist; Washington Mutual Finance, Natchitoches-manager trainee; KTBS, Shreveport-anchor/reporter, overnight producer, master control operator; KSLA, Shreveport-newscast producer, news director, anchor/reporter. For more information, stop by our office in room **305 of the Student Union.**

Public Relations Student Society of America

PRSSA will have a meeting Tuesday at 5 p.m. in room 107 of Kyser Hall. Any student interested in public relations or journalism is encouraged to attend.

Student Activities Board

The SAB will sponsor a "Sacred Cows Make the Best Hamburgers," a speech on leadership given by Mike Farley on Tuesday at 7 p.m. All students are encouraged to attend.

SPORTS

NSU Club Soccer

NSU Club Soccer invites anyone who is interested in playing club soccer to their practices which are held behind Watson library at 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday and Sunday.

GREEKS

Sigma Aalpha Iota

The 6th annual "Women of the Night" drag queen contest will take place on Friday at 7 p.m. in the band hall. Admission is $5 or $3 with canned goods.

Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.

The men of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity will have their Achievement Week beginning on Sunday and ending on Saturday. The events are as follows: **Sunday**-Omega Men Worship as One (morning worship service at BCM); **Monday**-Omega Men on the yard (Iberville Cafeteria at 6 p.m.); **Tuesday**-Movie Night with the Ques (University Columns clubhouse at 8 p.m.); **Wednesday**-Omega's "Donate An Organ, Save A Life" Day (Student Union lobby); **Thursday**-Hit by a Que Day, Safe Sex Encouragement display table (Student Union lobby); **Friday**-Senior Citizen's Day; **Saturday**-Founder's Day-"90 Years of Service to Mankind"; **week long activities**-annual can food drive, "Que-TIPS," community service project drawing (win a $100 gift card from Wal-Mart). For more information, contact Myron Harris at 354-6028.

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College of William and Mary end romances between students and professors

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Faculty at the College of William and Mary is recommending a new policy that would ban all romantic relationships between teachers and undergraduate students.

William and Mary's Board of Visitors, the college's governing body, will review the proposal from the college's faculty assembly when it meets this month for a retreat. The board will have to approve the faculty's proposal before it can be implemented.

The current policy, adopted in 1991, made news last school year following a first-person article in GQ Magazine by Sam Kashner, a former writer-in-residence at the college.

Kashner wrote of countless come-ons from female students and detailed one affair with a married student whose husband later committed suicide.

The validity of Kashner's article was debated after a woman came forward and said she had a similar affair in 1994 that led to her husband's death, however it was with a different English professor, not Kashner.

But Kashner has maintained his article was true and about himself. Others considered it fiction.

Despite the debate, faculty members were asked to recommend changes to the college's current "amorous relations" policy, which President Timothy J. Sullivan called "inadequate."

The current policy advises against faculty members having amorous relations with students they evaluate, grade or supervise. But the policy does not address relationships between faculty and undergraduates they don't directly supervise.

According to the faculty assembly's proposal, all romantic relationships between faculty and undergraduate students would be "prohibited," said Colleen Kennedy, associate professor of English and president of the faculty assembly.

Kennedy said the new policy also defines "amorous relations" as "consensual romantic and/or sexual relationships." Under the proposal, violating the policy could lead to anything from a letter of reprimand to termination.

Kennedy said they decided on expanding the policy to include all undergraduates because those students don't declare a major until their junior year. That could cause problems for a younger student who has a romantic relationship even if the professor is not his or her teacher.

"If a freshman or sophomore has a relationship with a faculty member, that could limit their educational opportunities," she said, "because they wouldn't be able to take courses with that faculty member."

However, Kennedy said, the proposal does give deans of each school the flexibility to approve exceptions on a case-by-case basis. One example would be an undergraduate who was already married to a faculty member before taking classes at the college. Those exceptions would only be approved if the relationship did not cause any conflicts, she said.

The new policy does not prohibit a consensual relationship between graduate students and faculty members unless there is a direct professional conflict.

After much debate the past year, Kennedy said more than two-thirds of the 20-member faculty assembly approved the proposal. The board of visitor's academic affairs committee will review the recommendation when the entire board meets Nov. 15 and Nov. 16.

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America may face threat of smallpox attacks

By Felice J. Freyer
The Providence Journal

Until recently, few people had any reason to think about smallpox. Anyone younger than 30 probably doesn't even know that the small circular scar on their elders' arms is the mark of the smallpox vaccine.

Routine smallpox vaccination in this country stopped in 1972; the last case in the world was recorded in October 1977. And in 1980, the World Health Organization declared smallpox eradicated, a remarkable achievement.

We thought we were safe. But now we know that although the vaccine's scar endures, its protection faded out after 15 or 20 years. And although smallpox no longer exists in nature, it's possible that a terrorist group has obtained the virus from a government laboratory in the former Soviet Union.

While much of the fearful news lately has focused on anthrax, it's smallpox that scares me. Anthrax does not spread from person to person; any attack is easily contained.

But smallpox is fantastically contagious; a few drops coughed from a victim's throat can infect anyone nearby. Smallpox causes horrendous sickness, scars and blinds many of its victims, and kills about 30 percent of them. There is no treatment. Smallpox is a virus, so antibiotics won't touch it, although some of the new antiviral drugs may help.

There's an irony in the smallpox threat, and our limited ability to respond to it. This disease is at the center of the magnificent successes of public health that we've taken for granted. Smallpox was once a universal part of human experience - like measles, like polio, like so many of the illnesses we've been lucky enough to forget.

Vaccination has freed us from these scourges, and vaccination originated with smallpox. In 1796, Dr. Edward Jenner took the scabs from a milkmaid infected with cowpox - a smallpox-like affliction of cows that people sometimes caught - and applied them to a scrape in the arm of a boy named James Phipps. The boy became mildly ill with cowpox, and the infection aroused a long-lasting immune response that could also fight off smallpox. The very word vaccination comes from the Latin word for cowpox.

Using vaccination to wipe out smallpox was a public-health triumph that has remained unmatched, but one that may be as easily forgotten as the meaning of those little round scars.

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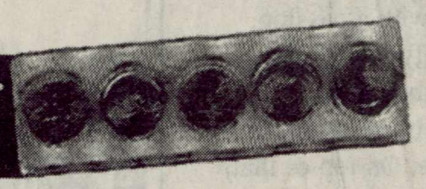
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Letter to the editor

NSU Theatre implements "no latecomers" policy

Scott Burrell
Assistant Professor of Theatre
Director, The Tragedy of Frankenstein

I would like to apologize to those students who were not allowed admittance to NSU Theatre's production of Frankenstein due to their lateness.

The NSU Theatre is now adopting a "no latecomers" policy to our productions.

We will accommodate to a certain extant those who maybe a minute or two late, but no one will be allowed admittance past an appropriate time. I had many students arriving late, some up to an hour past the start of the production, wanting admission. When I would not allow these particular students entry, I was given "attitude". The NSU Theatre, faculty and student alike, is proud to have support from it's student body. However, there are certain expectations we have of our audiences.

-Arrive on time for the performance. Coming in late is a distraction to both the audience and the actors on stage.

-Tickets picked up ahead of time are only good until 10 minutes before the play begins.

-Do not leave during the performance. If you must, wait until the intermission. If you know you must leave during the performance, sit in the back of the theatre so there will be little disruption to those around you or better yet don't attend the performance.

-Do not bring cell phones, beepers, or other distractions into the theatre. If you must, make sure they are turned off or silenced.

-Do not talk during the performance.

I know many students are required to come see our productions and we hope that you find our shows entertaining. But, if you are coming to see a production only because "you need the credit" and you would rather "be somewhere else", the theatre may not be for you.

Please don't put us or yourself in the embarrassing position of being asked to leave during a theatre performance due to unruly behavior.

Manny's Take

What happened to Good Music?



J. Manny Guendualy
Column Writer

Music is the signifying icon of each generation. Lately, I've realized mine is fading when I find myself asking, "Where has all of the *good* music gone?"

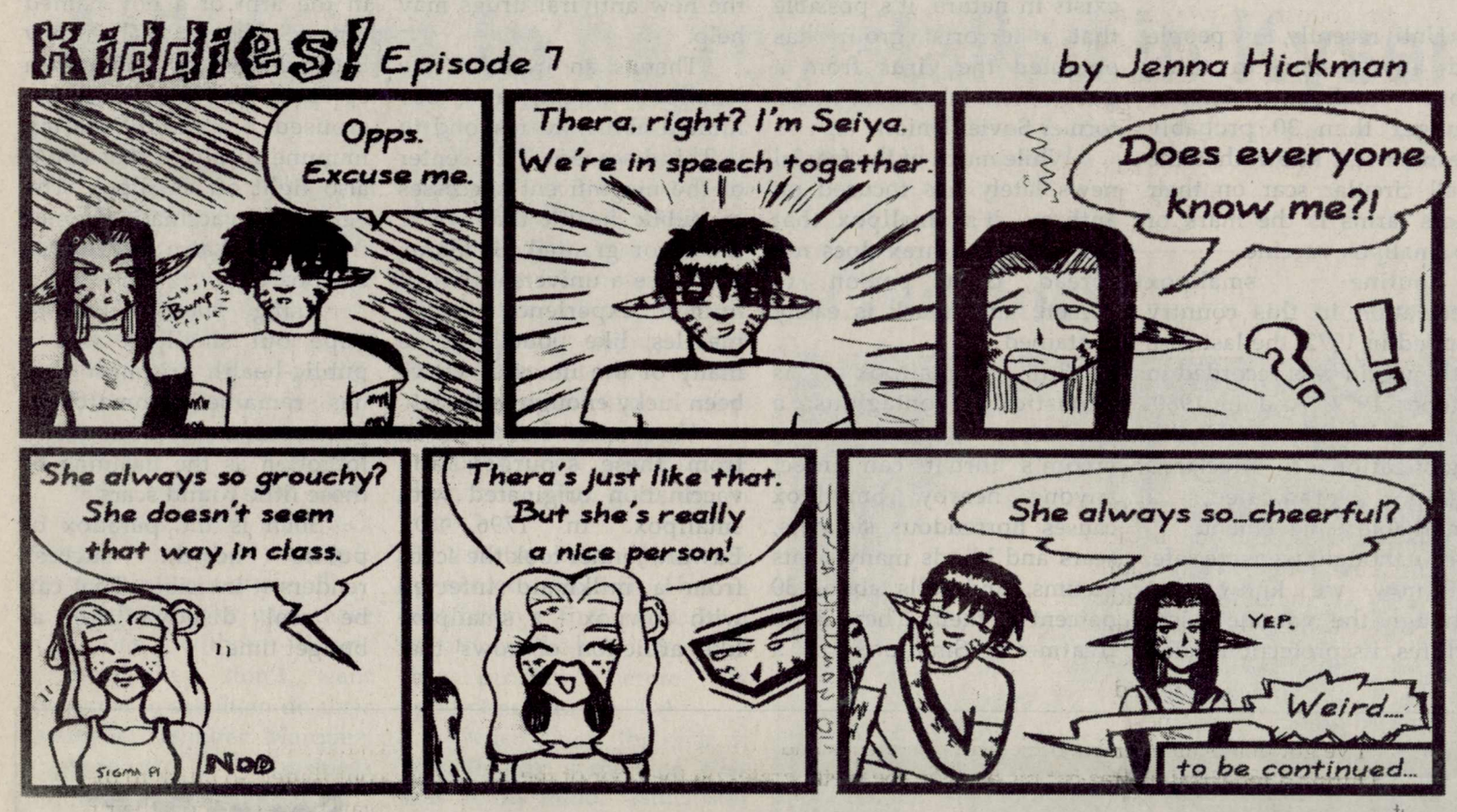
This same question comes up all the time while I have difficulties with the radio stations in Natchitoches. It seems that the only thing worth listening to is NPR, and as the day ends, I do not wish to be informed any more on how bad we are bombing the Taliban. By that time, all I want is to chill to some Blind Melon, Portishead, Chili Peppers, or even some old Dave, but pre-*Everyday*. In this town, there is no chill zone for me. There are only catchy dance tunes with lots of synthetic beats and plastic lyrics.

I admit that I'm one of the oldest guys on campus, one of the last models of the Gen Xer's and here since '94. And I'm noticing my difficulty to identify new music. Perhaps that's the sign that I'm starting to get old. In fact, Dec. 5 will mark my first quarter century. Enough with the age related depression, and more of the angst with music . . .

I feel as if I am constantly fighting the thought that Britney and her Boy Band like could grow on me. I watch bands like Limp Bizkit try to throw a veil over my eyes so that I won't notice how much Fred is like Justin Timberlake (why do I even know these names?). I even wonder at times what I'm missing from the lack of "sizzirup" in my system when my ears catch a glimpse of Screw'd Music.

But perhaps it is finally time to suck it up and let myself slip from being a member of the current music culture. My day and my music's time have past, and now, I'm . . . out of touch. After all, how are the artists of this new all-happy, all-plastic generation going to connect with my cynical and now obsolete Gen X outlook on life?

Guess I'm destined to make mix tapes!



Editor's Take

It's a great week whenever the Yankees lose

I've been threatened, cursed at, vilified and dogged on this entire week, but other than that, this week has been great.

It seems I have an awesome week whenever the Yankees go down in flames. And man, did they flame out this week.

The New York Yankees lost in Game 7 of the World Series to the Arizona Diamondbacks last Sunday, 3-2. The Snakes came back to win the game in the ninth after super-closer Mariano Rivera gave up the game-winning single to Arizona's Luis Gonzales. The win gave 'Zona its first ever sports championship.

And I'm happy.

The question is I don't know why I'm so happy. I hate the Diamondbacks. I hate them with a passion. They're only four or five years old, they have a massive debt and their fans are horrible. On top of that, they have ugly uniforms with "blue" helmets.

Blue helmets?!

But for some reason, when Gonzales smacked the single that scored the game-winning run, I was jumping up and down in the living room of my apartment, screaming like idiot the whole time. After I caught my breath, I wondered why I was so happy. I love to see the National League win, but my allegiance to the senior circuit couldn't explain this jubilation I was experiencing.

I think it was because I see the Yankees as everything American baseball fans should hate. The Yankees are the kings of the diamond. They are the elite, and there's no middle ground with them; you either love them, or hate them.

Rondray Hill
Editor's Take e

There are millions of Yankee fans, and an equal number of Yankee haters. And I'm definitely on the side of the Yankee haters.

I mean look at them, they haven't changed their uniform. Ever. Those same stupid pinstripes with "N" over the "Y" just drives me crazy. They've played in the same freaking stadium since 1732.

And the team is just full of people who are easy to hate. There is Derek Jeter. This guy has every chick from Seattle to Sydney drooling over this freak. He's banging supermodels and pop stars. The guy is on the cover of G.Q.. What's not to hate?

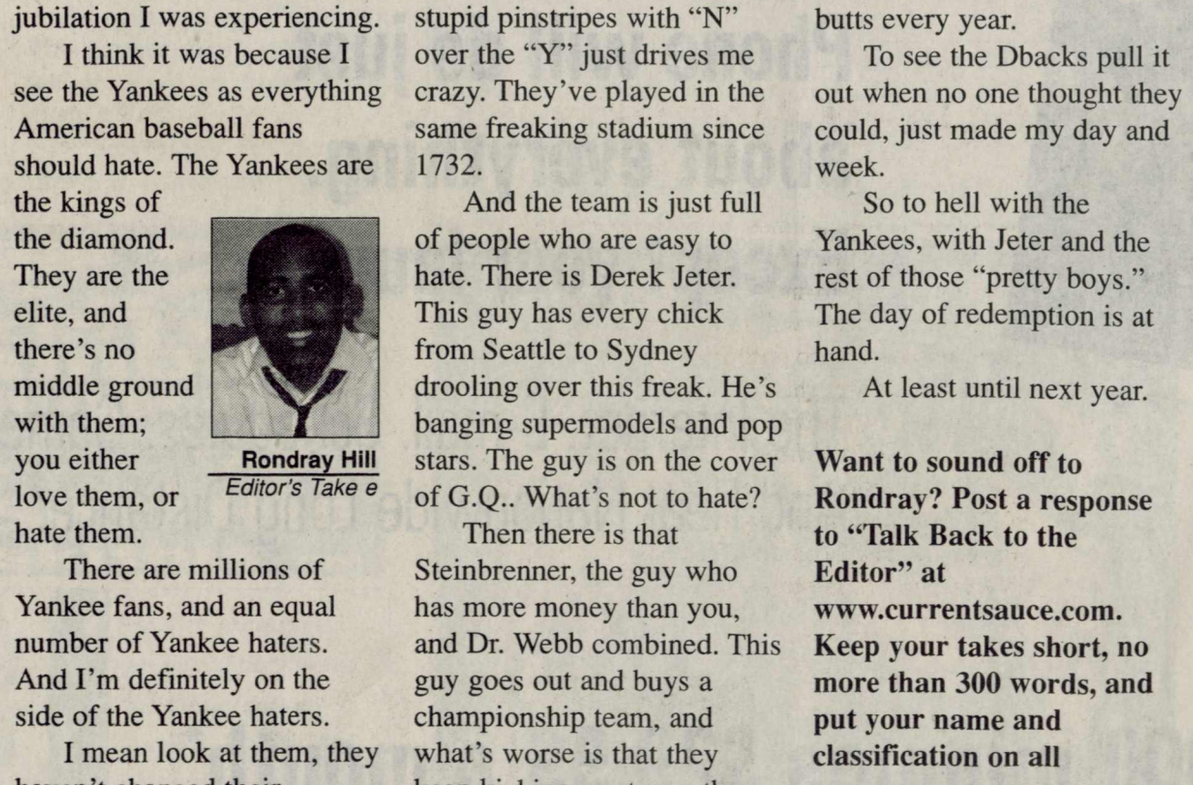
Then there is that Steinbrenner, the guy who has more money than you, and Dr. Webb combined. This guy goes out and buys a championship team, and what's worse is that they keep kicking my team, the Atlanta Brave's, collective butts every year.

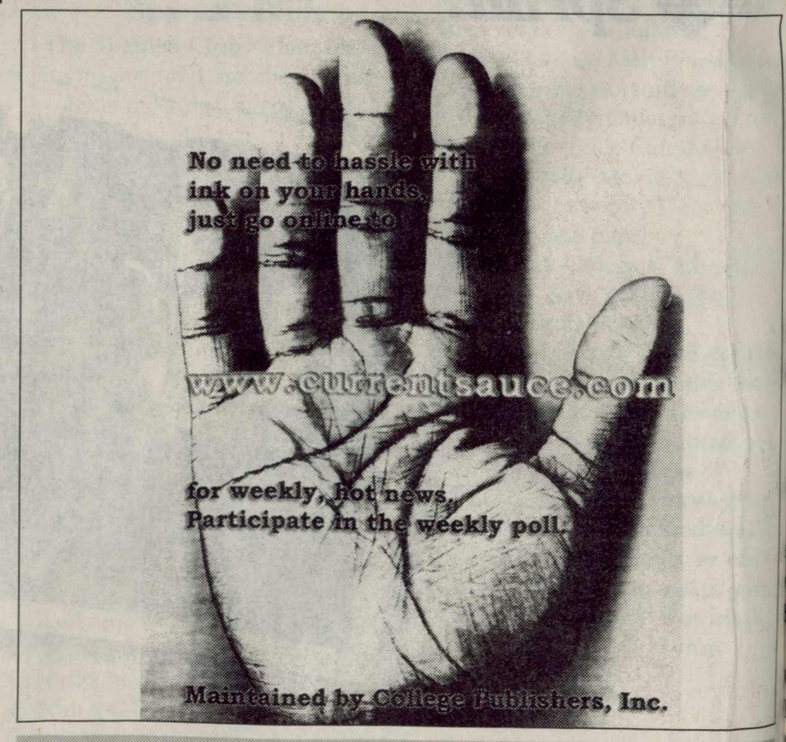
To see the Dbacks pull it out when no one thought they could, just made my day and week.

So to hell with the Yankees, with Jeter and the rest of those "pretty boys." The day of redemption is at hand.

At least until next year.

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In Perspective

Anything for the part



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Levi Petree played the Creature in NSU's production of *The Tragedy of Frankenstein*. He shaved his head and took aerobics classes to prepare for the part.

NSU actor Levi Petree speaks about his role in Frankenstein, shaving his head

By Dominique Irvin
Sauce Reporter

Levi Petree has always liked performing.

"Ever since I was a kid, I always liked to perform…I've always got my head in the clouds, just living in another world," Petree said.

Petree just finished his stay in the world of Mary Shelley's *The Tragedy of Frankenstein*. He played the Creature.

"You can only hope to get a role like that. Sometimes you never do…it shows so much range…as an actor," he said.

He originally wanted to try out for other roles in the play.

"I didn't see myself as The Creature," he said.

Vicki Parrish, a Theatre professor, told Petree he would be good for the part. He gave it a shot.

"I think it's the best role I've ever had and I think it's one of the better ones I'll ever have," he said.

To prepare for the role of the Creature, Petree lost about 10 pounds. He took aerobics classes to build muscle and slim down. He also had to cut his hair.

"I had long, curly red hair," Petree said. Petree got a crew cut with a bald strip on one side of his head. He said he didn't mind changing his looks.

"I was totally cool with it," he said.

He also had to appear on stage semi-nude for most of the production, which he also did not mind. He did a play last summer in Ohio, requiring him to wear nothing more than a loincloth.

"…with nothing on underneath, so I really didn't care," Petree said.

In the play, most of Petree's performance included falls and screams. He said he tried to make them look and sound as real as possible. Petree encouraged Jereme Rhodes, who played Victor Frankenstein, to hit him hard with the leather belt used in certain scenes.

"I've got marks all over my back…cuts, scratches and bruises," he said.

During a rehearsal, Petree cut his back on the metal grates on the floor of the set.

"I was bleeding all over my back and my arm," Petree said.

Petree said the cuts and scratches as a result of the show were worth it.

"It was awesome," Petree said. "I was lucky enough to get this role. Everyone in the show knew that this was going to be one of the biggest shows that NSU had ever done and I think that was pretty exciting."

A review of *Frankenstein*

By Kristen Dauzat and Elona Boggs
Sauce editors

The players of *Frankenstein* finished their last performance on Nov. 4, ending one of the best plays ever performed at NSU. The play was timely in that it's opening was on Halloween, however, it would entertain at any day, moment or hour.

The stage in A.A. Fredrick's Auditorium was transformed into a 3-D Gothic world . It was apparent that each detail of the stage was considered – curtains fluttered lightly, colored lights changed to compliment the tone of the play.

The set design in the closing scene was especially impressive. Blue lighting and white sheets draped across the stage, giving the effect of a cold, icy atmosphere.

The three levels of the stage set a harrowing tone, as did the eerie whispers of the chorus of imps that danced about the stage prior to the performance. Those who were seated in the audience were engrossed in their movements and sounds, vocal and instrumental. They were a of setting element, but were characters also.

The acting was impressive. The play had few characters, but each contributed so much to the play, however short their part was. Even though the parts of the main characters (Victor and the Creature) were played well, it was the supporting cast that earned this play its success. The character of Henry, played by Larry Soileau, helped to humanize the play and give it some humor. One would not expect this play to have humor, but because of character's like Soileau's, it did. He played his part well, and his name is one NSU should remember.

Another character who caused some laughs was the Old Man's, played by Kyle LeMaire. He had some funny lines, and created a lovable character, and an interesting second half of the play. The Old Man was a source of comic relief for the serious issues that happened in this part of the play.

Jereme Rhodes played the main character, Victor. His performance was convincing. It was interesting how he effectively portrayed the gradual decay of Victor. At first, his performance appeared to be stagnant, but by the end, it was compelling.

It is obvious that Levi Petree devoted much time to his portrayal of the creature. At times, his performance looked painful – he took a lot of hits and a lot of falls. Even though he said few words, his movement and actions took more work than just saying words.

It was evident that a lot of hard work was devoted to this play. Last week, it wasn't science that brought Frankenstein to life. The cast and crew of the NSU Theatre, coupled with the tremendous set, gave life to the creature.

Christmas Fest wristbands on sale at Natchitoches locations

Those planning on attending the 75th Annual Natchitoches Christmas Festival can purchase their wristbands early at a discounted price.

This year's festival is scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 1. Anyone wishing to enter Front Street on Dec. 1 will be required to pay an admission fee. Adult wristbands are being pre-sold for $3 each. Children's tickets will be pre-sold for $1 each for those between 6 and 11 years old.

Wristbands can be purchased at the following locations: Natchitoches Area Chamber of Commerce at 550 Second Street; Albertson's at 5696 La. Hwy. 1 Bypass in Natchitoches; Brookshire's at 318 Dixie Plaza; Campus Corner at 912 College Ave.; Causey's Pharmacy at 407 Bienville St.; Gardiner's Pharmacy at 325 Dixie Plaza; and Barnes and Noble Book Store on the NSU campus (the former NSU Bookstore).

Tickets can be purchased on Festival Day for $4 for adults and $1 for children ages 6 to 11. No admission will be charged to children under 6 years old. Ticket booths will be located at every entrance leading to Front Street. Booths will be open on Dec. 1 from 7 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Police officers will man all entrance gates leading to Front Street on Dec. 1. Anyone wishing to enter Front Street will be required to pay an admission fee. Those who enter the premises of the paid entry gates could be subject to personal searches. Law enforcement officials could be equipped with portable metal detectors, and they reserve the right to search visitors' personal belongings.

For additional ticket information, call the Chamber of Commerce at (318) 352-6894. For more information about the Christmas Festival, call the Natchitoches Parish Tourist Commission at (800) 259-1714 or access www.christmasfestival.com.

Store closure could lead to job losses for students

By Kira Gervais
Sauce Reporter

Albertson's will be closing, and NSU students who work at the store fear for their jobs.

Last month, Peggy Perkins, a sophomore Industrial Technology major, received a call from her manager at Albertson's. The manager told her of a meeting for workers about the closure of the store. At the meeting, workers learned that the store's closure was not definite, but negotiations between the Albertson's company and Brookshire Bros.. were underway.

Perkins said on Nov. 15, a decision should be made about the future of the store.

"If they (Brookshire Bros..) decide they want to buy us, the store will close on Dec. 2 at 1 p.m., and open on Dec. 3 as Super 1," Perkins said.

Super 1 Foods is a branch of Brookshire Bros.. Perkins said Brookshire's wants to offer jobs to most employees, but Super 1 Foods does not have all of the different departments Albertson's has, such as the video store and Starbuck's.

Although Brookshire's may decide to keep current employees, nothing is for sure.

"Nothing is definite. Salary is not definite," Perkins said.

Perkins said she was going to get a raise within the next month, but due to the closure she won't be. She said all workers share the same concerns.

"A bunch of us are terrified that we are going to lose our jobs," she said. "I really don't know what I am going to do if I lose my job."

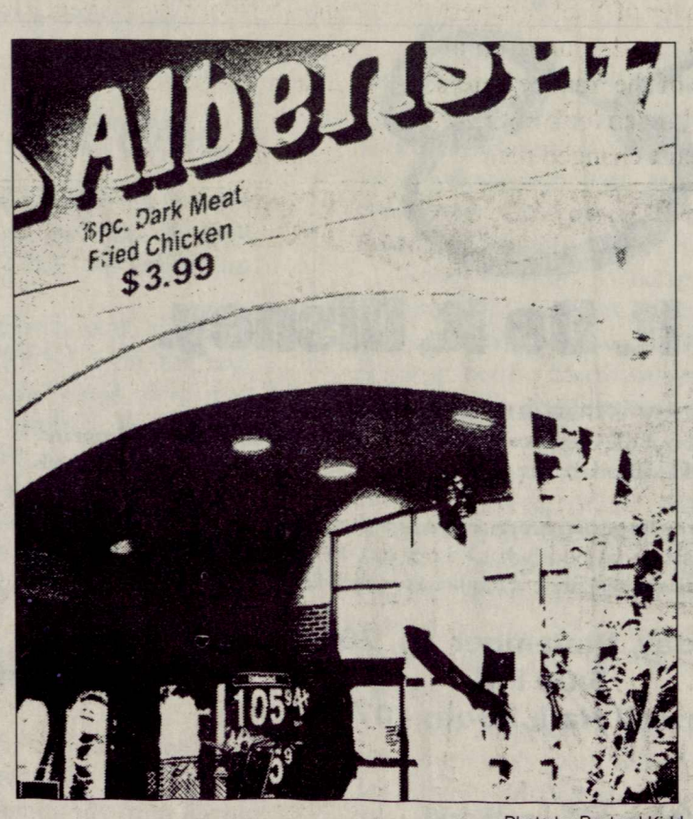


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With the possibility of Albertson's closing, many student-employees are fearing the loss of their jobs.

ROTC's Ranger Team brings home best-female award

By Jennifer Bocanegra
Sauce Reporter

NSU's ROTC Ranger Challenge team competed in a grueling three-day competition on Oct. 19.

Twenty-two teams from across the South competed in the event, which tested physical and mental endurance.

"It is always tough to predict because there is always such a fine line between the best school and the worst school," Lt. Col. Claton D. Chandler, Northwestern ROTC Battalion Commander.

Cadets began the challenge with a written test on their knowledge of patrolling tactics used by the United States Army Infantry. A physical fitness test was conducted, and then cadets went on to compete in various Ranger events. This included qualifying with an M16A2 rifle, throwing hand grenades at designated targets, finding points on a land navigation course, assembling and disassembling a rifle and building a rope-bridge. Each event had to be completed within a certain amount of time.

"I think that we did good but I think we could have taken first place. We all had little errors that got us but overall, I think we did well. It was just something to smile about and have fun with," NSU cadet Calvin R. Hoover Jr. said.

NSU dropped down two places going from fifth to seventh place, but still managed to snag the award for the highest female physical fitness score. Cadet Ruth Rasmussen scored 360 on her physical fitness test, the highest out of all the participating female cadets.

"I was surprised. It made me feel pretty good, " Rasmussen said.

Hoover said the team was most proud of the comradery that they exhibited.

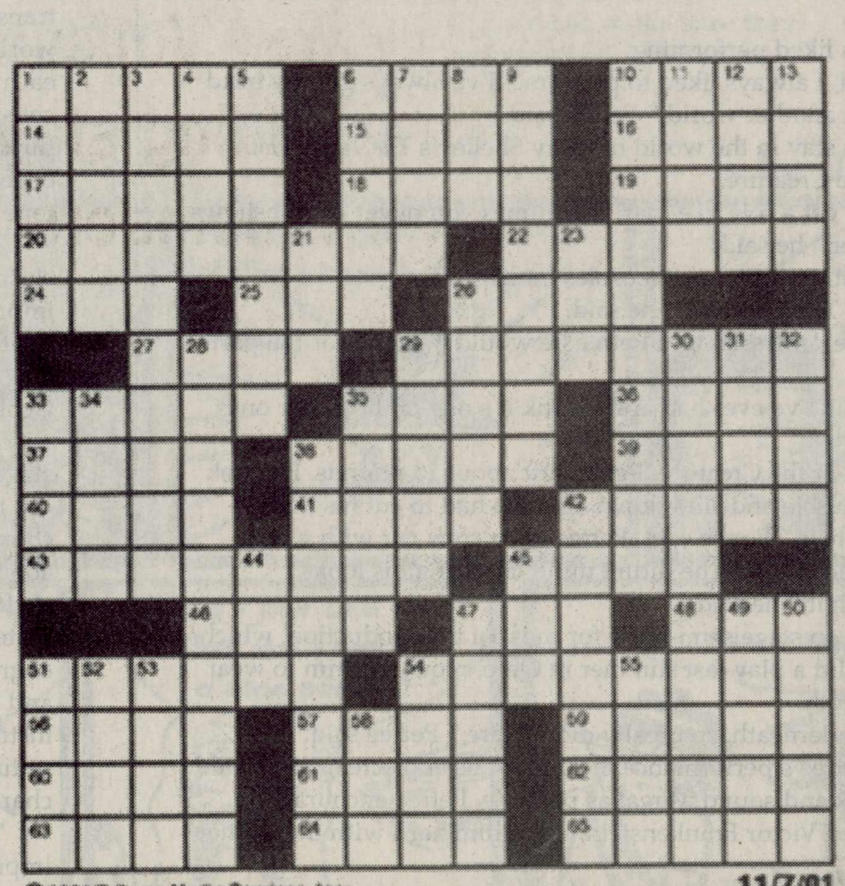
"Everybody got along with everybody and worked with each other. We worked together as a group to finish, we could not move faster than the slowest person so we all had to come in together," he said.



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Cadet Ruth Rasmussen races to get across the NSU team's ropebridge. Each eight-member team must set up and cross the rope bridge in under two minutes.

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Britney Spears is all grownup

By Isaac Guzman
New York Daily News

Britney Spears knows how to fake it.

When she's writhing like a sex kitten or striking the pose of a ticked-off hard rocker, Spears will do anything to make you believe that she really is a snake-charming exotic dancer or a naughty schoolgirl. You provide the songs and sets, she shows up with the attitude.

After all, the 19-year-old teen-pop icon is a self-proclaimed virgin who gets a lick from one of her dancers in the steamy video for her latest single, "I'm a Slave 4 U." The can-do spirit of this former Mouseketeer drives her to give every song her best shot, whether she knows what she's talking about or not.



Photo courtesy britneyspears.com

Britney Spears is stirring controversy with her new album.

"It's kind of like being an actress when you go on stage," says the chirpy Spears, who, when not in the spotlight, bears little resemblance to the breathless hottie in her videos.

"I have one song, `Lonely,' that's like a rocker song," she says. "You know, I really can't relate to that song, but that's the funnest part of what I do. That's like being an actress. It's part of being a performer."

On Nov. 6, Spears took the act one step further with the release of her third album, "Britney." It's the first salvo in a months-long campaign to continue her reign as the Queen of Teen.

Her tour will be featured on HBO's "Live from Las Vegas" Nov. 18. And early next year, Spears makes her movie debut in "Crossroads" (a k a: "What Are Friends For" and "Not a Girl"), in which she stars as a geeky overachiever who - surprise - isn't all she seems.

The singer says self-titling the new album was appropriate because she helped write five of the album's 12 tracks. On last year's "Oops! ... I Did It Again," she contributed the treacly "Dear Diary." But while no one will confuse Spears' new songs with Bob Dylan's, they do reveal an incremental shift toward maturity.

She says her standout accomplishment is "I'm Not a Girl, Not Yet a Woman," because,

"I'm in that in-between stage in my life. A girl is just someone who is very naive. She hasn't gained all the wisdom that she needs yet and hasn't lived her life to the fullest potential. A woman is someone who knows herself inside and out and does have all the wisdom that she needs. And I think I'm right in between there."

The more grownup Spears has become a media phenomenon by signing lucrative deals with Pepsi, HBO, McDonald's and a variety of beauty products. Her growing power now has her role models - Madonna, Michael Jackson, Cher - pursuing her.

If Spears ever becomes a full-fledged media mogul like Madonna, one of her first projects may involve her sister, Jamie Lynn. At 10, Jamie Lynn already has dreams of following in her big sister's wake.

"She has a better voice than I do," Spears says. "When she gets to that age when she wants to go there and do that, I will support her 100 percent."

Spears plans to bring Jamie Lynn along for a three-week chunk of her tour this fall. Not so much to show her the ropes of being a teen diva, but to reconnect with her family. Making a record, filming a movie and preparing for a world tour haven't left her much time to get back to tiny Kentwood, La., her hometown.

"My family's my life - my mom and my little sister," Spears says. "Every time I go home, (Jamie Lynn's) getting taller and taller. I love that, but I feel like I've been experiencing a lot of moments and she's been experiencing a lot of moments and I'm not there to share those moments with her."

Natchitoches/NSU Symphony to perform tonight

Northwestern Symphony Orchestra will present works by Dvorak and Rachmaninoff when it performs in concert tonight at 7:30 p.m. in Magale Recital Hall. Richard Rose is the conductor.

Natchitoches-Northwestern Symphony Society season ticket holders are admitted free with their tickets. NSU students are admitted with their I.D. Tickets at the door are $10.

The orchestra will perform Dvorak's "Symphony No. 9 in E Minor" (New World Symphony) and Rachmaninoff's "Concerto No. 2 in C Minor" featuring Assistant Professor of Piano Nikita Fitenko.

Rose said the entire concert is "very romantic."

"The audience should leave with a good feeling," he said. "The concert will be emotionally demanding, not only of the audience but also the orchestra. Both pieces especially the Dvorak Symphony take every ounce of physical and emotional energy the musicians have. You feel tired but very good when you are finished. It is very rewarding to perform."

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Huge showdown for Demons in Lake Charles

By **Rondray Hill**
Editor

The staff at McNeese are expecting a sellout crowd for this Saturday's game between the Demons and the home town Cowboys.

That means nearly 17,000 cowbells. That means nearly 17,000 loud, screaming fans.

And that may mean a long night for the Demon team.

But for Coach Roberts and a Demon team that has won four straight games, the challenge is inviting.

"We looking forward to it," Roberts said. "The atmosphere there should be great. There should be a lot of energy in the stadium."

The Demons (7-2, 3-1) are trying to overcome history as well as the crowd. NSU has not beaten the Cowboys in Lake Charles in 10 years.

With road wins versus Southern and TCU, the Demons think that going on the road to McNeese will be no different.

And the Demons are keeping quiet on any talk about McNeese's home-field advantage.

"Honestly, it's something we don't talk about much," Roberts said. "This will be a game where things will go right for McNeese and things will go right for us. What's given is that both teams will give an outstanding effort."

Both teams come into the game ranked in the top 15 of the national polls, with the Demons at No. 10 and McNeese at No.13

"It's definitely going to get rowdy down there," said offensive lineman Zach Rodgers. "We just have to let the younger players know not to get distracted by the crowd."

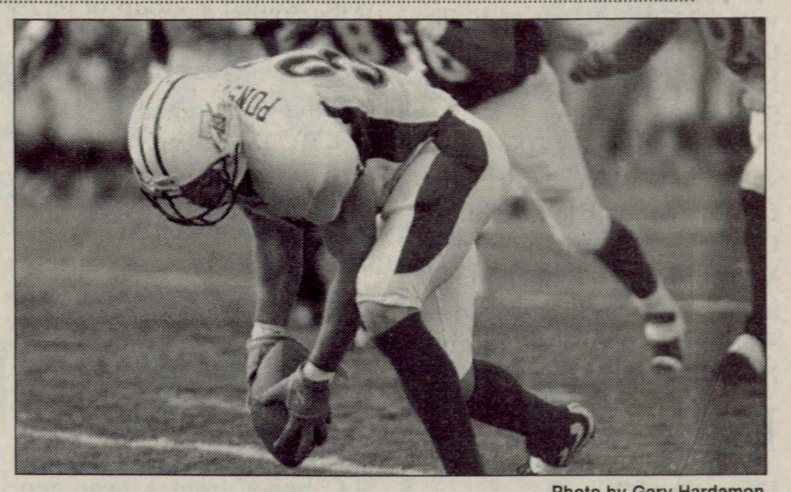


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Demon Neil Ponstein picks up the fumble and carries the ball down the Southwest Texas five yard line. The fumble set up a touchdown run by Jeremy Lofton on the bnext play

Countdown to Tipoff

Guess who's back?

Alann Polk returns to the court for a final season with Demons

By Mindy Mixon
Sauce Reporter

After red-shirting last year due to a knee injury, senior Alan Polk returns for his final season at Northwestern.

"There was no chance for me to recover last year," Polk said. "It was a hard decision. I think I have a future in this game and if I went out before I was ready, that would be selfish. I needed to let my body heal."

Polk admits to playing more conservatively because of his injury.

" I didn't want to go full speed. I kept thinking I don't want to tear anything in the first game," Polk said. "But that is not good. I think of myself as a scorer and I can't be afraid to be aggressive."

Countdown to Tipoff

Be sure to look for next week's Demon Basketball preview in *The Current Sauce*

During his one year absence, Michael Byars-Dawson stepped up to take over the duties guarding.

"He's a great player - similar in nature to me," Polk said. "It's been said there's not enough shots to go around, but that's not true. We play good together and we'll share the position."

Family bonds proved unbreakable during even the tough times for Polk.

"They (her family members) were down when I was down. They kept me on my hands and knees," Polk said. "I became a born-again Christian because of the experience. This just goes to show that good comes out of bad - this showed me the way to Christ."

This May, Polk graduates with a degree in General Studies. But he has no plans to enter the business world after school.

"I want a contract with a team - hopefully the NBA, but I will go overseas if I have to. I've been playing basketball for twelve years," Polk said. "I

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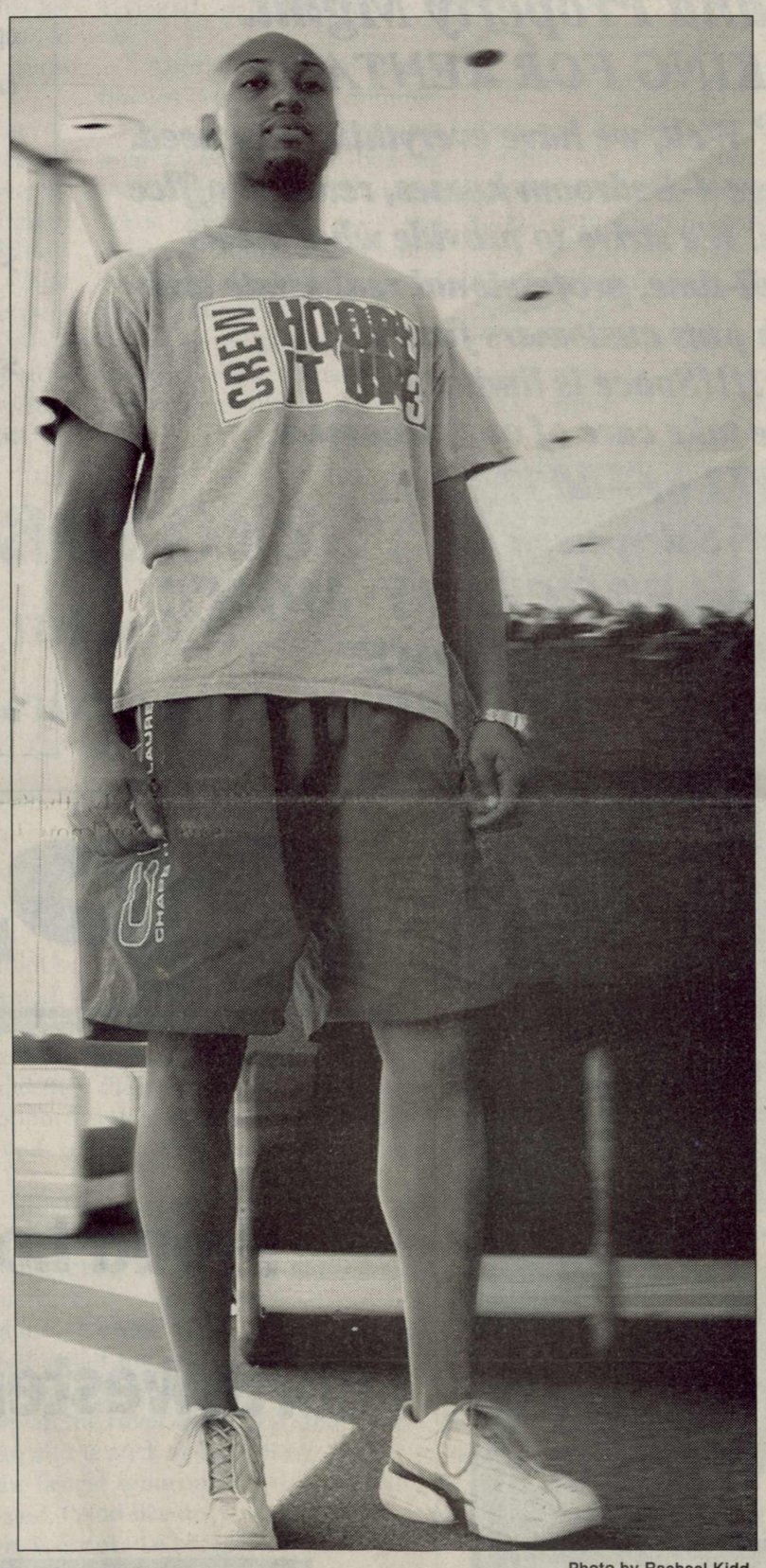


Photo by Rachael Kidd

There he is. Alann Polk, back from a year out of action, is hoping to finish what he planned on doing last year before a season-ending knee injury ended last season for him before it started."...I can't be afraid to be aggressive. I'm a scorer."

Demon Volleyball faces a rebuilding stage with 10 new members

By Cooda Dobbin
Sauce Reporter

This year the Northwestern State volleyball team has struggled continuously as they try to mesh with ten new players on a 14-women roaster.

The team consist of six freshmen, three sophomores, two juniors and one senior.
"We are a young team with inexperience but the way we have played teams show that we can compete," head coach James Onikeku said.

With only two games left in the season, NSU will record their first season to achieve below ten wins under third year head coach James Onikeku.

The Demons are 6-21 overall and 2-16 in the Southland Conference.

In the last five competitions the Demons have loss but they came out at the beginning with hard-nosed defense.

NSU took two teams to five matches, McNeese State University Cowgirls and conference rival Stephen F. Austin Ladyjacks, second in the conference, but fell short of closing the game out.

"We are a young team playing against other teams with more experienced girls," freshman Shannon Pruder said. "This season is almost over and we are looking to work hard and have some togetherness by the time next year comes around."

Pruder has lead NSU through the last four matches, third on the team in kills(1.88) and second in blocks(.58). She also is ranked third in the conference with a .319 hitting percentage.

In the Demons last outing Tuesday night against the Ladyjacks the game looked promising after winning 30-28, but the next two matches ended with the Demons on the losing side. NSU did come back to win the fourth match but loss when it counted late in the fifth, 15-11.

I In the losing effort, junior Christina Stone had an impressive night with a match-high 21 kills and a team-high 13 digs.

The Demons will return to action Friday night, facing Southwest Texas in Prather Coliseum. The first serve will begin at 7 p.m.

Hancock, Thompson return to play against Demons

Rondray Hill
Editor

Josh Hancock normally wears No. 23.

He wore it for four years at NSU. For tuesday's game, however, he wore No. 2.

So there he was on the court, with a No.2 on the front and back of a jersey that looked like a cross between the Michigan Wolverines jersey and the old Washington Generals.

Hancock and former Demon Chris Thompson were playing against the Demons, and Josh was guarding his friend, Alann Polk.

"We did a little talking before the game," Hancock said. "Me and Alann exchanged a few words, but it was all in fun."

Both Hancock and Thompson played for the opposition in Tuesday's 88-86 Demon win over VASDA USA.

Polk, who guarded Hancock for most of the game, said it was a strange feeling for him knowing he would be guarding Josh.

"I looked on the board and saw that I'd be guarding Josh, it was kind of a shock," Polk said. "He said he was going to get me in foul troule, which he ended up doing."

Hancock said after the game if he'd been the one taking the final shot, the score might have been different.

"The percentages were very good for me making that final shot," Hancock said. "Real good."

Demon Basketball defeats VASDA team 88-86

Seniors Chris Lynch scored 27 points and Michael Byars-Dawson added 21 Tuesday night, leading a Northwestern State rally from an 11-point deficit to an 88-86 win over VASDA USA Blue in an exhibition college basketball game.

The Demons, Louisiana's only NCAA Tournament entry last year, played without injured seniors Ryan Duplessis, Melvin Roberts and Kory Wilson, but still subdued a VASDA team that won Monday night 84-75 at Louisiana-Monroe.

D'or Fischer had 10 points, 11 rebounds and 6 blocked shots for the Demons, who got 11 points and 8 rebounds from Jerrold McRae. NSU shot 50 percent in the game on field goals (32-64) and 3-pointers (6-12) and hit

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Murgor, Chelimc and Ledford lead NSU pack in Cross Country Championships

Sophomores Noah Murgor and Jonah Chelimo along with freshman Linzie Ledford were the top finishers for Northwestern State at the Southland Conference Cross Country Championships.

Murgor and Chelimo finished 19th and 20th, respectively, to head the scoring for the Northwestern men, who finished seventh in the 11-team field. Ledford was the top Lady Demon runner, taking 41st with teammates Jill Schenk (43rd), Lacey Fletcher (46th) and Christy Stark (47th) not far behind as the NSU women were 10th in the team standings.

Host Stephen F. Austin won the men's team title, 52-66, over McNeese State. Texas-Arlington was third with 81 points, followed by Sam Houston (118), Southwest Texas (125), Texas-San Antonio (179), Northwestern (201), Nicholls State (222), Southeastern Louisiana (227), Louisiana-Monroe (242) and Lamar (247).

Murgor, seventh in last year's conference meet, ran a 26:55.7 time over the 8000 meter course for 19th. Chelimo, who won two races this season, was one place back in 25:57.5.

Junior Blake Hines was the third scorer for the Demons in 46th at 28:18.9, with freshman James Hawkins next with a 28:41.3 for 52nd overall in the 76-man field. Freshman Terry Gatson finished the scorecard for the Northwestern men with a 30:06.0 time for 64th. Freshman Jorge Bustamonte was 65th in 30:46.6 and senior Blair Begala ran 69th in 31:35.6.

For the Lady Demons, Ledford covered the 5000 meter trail in 20:26.6, with sophomore Jill Schenk two places back in 43rd place.

VASDA game

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72 percent (24-32) of its free throws.

The Demons trailed 61-51 with 13:18 to go, went on a 16-6 run to tie the game, and got the margin of victory on two Byars-Dawson free throws with 22 seconds left to break the 11th tie of the game at the Natchitoches Central High School gymnasium.

Byars-Dawson, the most valuable player of the CenturyTel Classic Southland Conference Tournament last March, scored the Demons' last seven points, three times scoring to break ties and give NSU the lead.

Polk

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didn't work this hard for it to end in May, this is my love."

Motivation comes from within.

"I have to keep proving to myself that I am what I am," she said. "Keep driving for dreams, because you will be there one day."

Last year, the Demon's made an appearance at the NCAA tournament. This year, Polk believes they have the goods to go "two steps further."

"We can make it to the Sweet Sixteen tourney," Polk said. "We can be a Cinderella team - one that magically appears. People saw glimpses of us in the past - this year we can show the whole world what NSU basketball is all about."

That wont be easy. Not with the tough schedule the Demon's are playing this season.

"We are out to prove we're just as good as them. We will beat them," Polk said.

Hillarie Marshall, seven other Demon Soccer players named to SLC All-Conference team

a Sophomore Hillarie Marshall, earning first-team All-Southland Conference honors for the second straight year, headed a group of eight Northwestern State players recognized as the All-SLC Soccer Team chosen by the league's head coaches was announced.

Demon senior midfielder Missy Payne picked up her third All-SLC award, earning second-team honors as she did in her sophomore year before making the first team last year. Another NSU senior, midfielder Shannon Tenney, repeated her second-team All-SLC honor from a year ago. Junior defender Jill Lowe was also chosen second-team All-SLC.

Getting honorable mention recognition for the Demons were senior goalkeeper Tiffany Swingler, sophomore midfielder Jacquai Lawrence, freshman defender Brittany Hung and freshman forward Bryndie Maag.

Northwestern (6-8-2) has one game left to play, a homefield encounter on Nov. 8 with Centenary.

Marshall, a defender, leads the Demons in scoring with 16 points, twice as many as Tenney, the No. 2 scorer for NSU. Marshall has six goals and four assists while Tenney has scored four goals.

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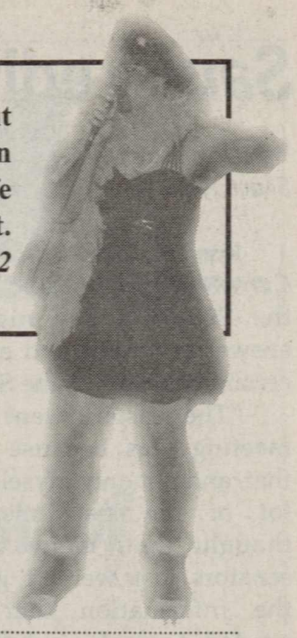
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Record companies turn to popular artists as last hope

By Jim Farber
New York Daily News

Can an aging country star, a perky teen queen and a religious-minded rock band save the music business?

Record companies and retailers see new albums by those performers - Garth Brooks, Britney Spears and Creed, respectively - as their last hope of averting a bad year.

With two months left in 2001, the biggest-selling album is a 15-month-old disc by a novelty artist unlikely to follow up his success: Shaggy's "Hotshot," with 4.3 million copies sold.

By this time last year, the industry had four albums above the Shaggy line - one of them doubling "Hotshot's" numbers.

UTA scientists develop sensors,

By Jason Trahan
The Dallas Morning News

Area university researchers have developed a dashboard sensor that not only detects when someone is driving drunk, but also could be used to alert police officers.

Although anti-drunken driving groups praise the device, legal scholars - and even the project's developers - say that it would take an act of Congress to make the device a practical way to reduce the number of intoxicated drivers.

University of Texas at Arlington civil engineers installed the sensor in a test van this summer after Texas Christian University electrical engineers built a prototype sensor.

The scientists developed the idea of a sensor that sniffs out alcohol based on work by Motorola, which is developing a replacement to traditional lithium batteries for cellular phones.

Researchers found that a chemical fuel cell exposed to ethyl alcohol produces energy more efficiently then traditional power sources.

Student Supreme Court does not meet quorum; *Sauce* editor's case rescheduled

By Bess Renfrow
Sauce Reporter

The Supreme Court hearing that was scheduled for last Friday was moved to today because the court could not meet quorum.

Although there are seven justices, only five are needed to meet quorum. However, only four justices were present for the hearing on Friday. Those present were Chief Justice Jeremiah Newsom and Justices David Gunn, Chante Bellard, and Shymika Stevenson. Those not present were Justices Vanessa Byrd, Shannon Carlisle, and Amanda Barrios. While Justices Byrd and Carlisle were excused, Justice Barrios was not.

After waiting for Justice Barrios for twenty minutes, Chief Justice Newsom announced that the hearing would be postponed until next week. While some took this delay in stride, others were frustrated by it and voiced their opinions.

"The point behind my reaction to the supreme court postponing the case is that they and the SGA put on a persona of professionalism, but they weren't able to live up to it," Rob Morgan, reporter for *The Current Sauce* said. "They wasted *The Current Sauce*'s time."

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Morgan has since been reprimanded by both Rondray Hill, editor of *The Current Sauce* and Neil Ralston, adviser for *The Current Sauce*.

"I told him (Morgan) that some things were not appropriate and that what he did was inappropriate," Hill said. "However, that should have no bearing on our case. If you're dealing with law and facts, what one individual said in a meeting should not sway anybody."

Although the manner in which he voiced them was not appropriate, the sentiment behind this reaction is one held by both sides.

"It wasn't just a waste of his (Morgan's) time, but of our time as well," Newsom said.

Because of her unexcused absence for the hearing, Justice Barrios has been asked to resign from the Supreme Court. The hearing will be held today at 4 p.m. on the second floor of the Student Union. The public is invited to attend.

——Lacrosse?

University students welcome newest club sport

By Rob Morgan
Sauce Reporter

The sport of lacrosse has made its way to the campus by means of the blood, sweat and tears of NSU freshman Matt Ball.

Matt Ball attended high school in Dallas, Texas where he played lacrosse and wanted to attend a college that would allow him to continue the sport.

"I really wanted a college that had a lacrosse team...but I came to Northwestern and they didn't have one, so I thought it would be the perfect opportunity to start one," Ball said.

Students have proved to be receptive to the newest activity on campus.

"When I originally brainstormed the idea-talked it out with three of my friends-and they all wanted to start one too and it has turned into thirty / thirty-five people," Ball said.

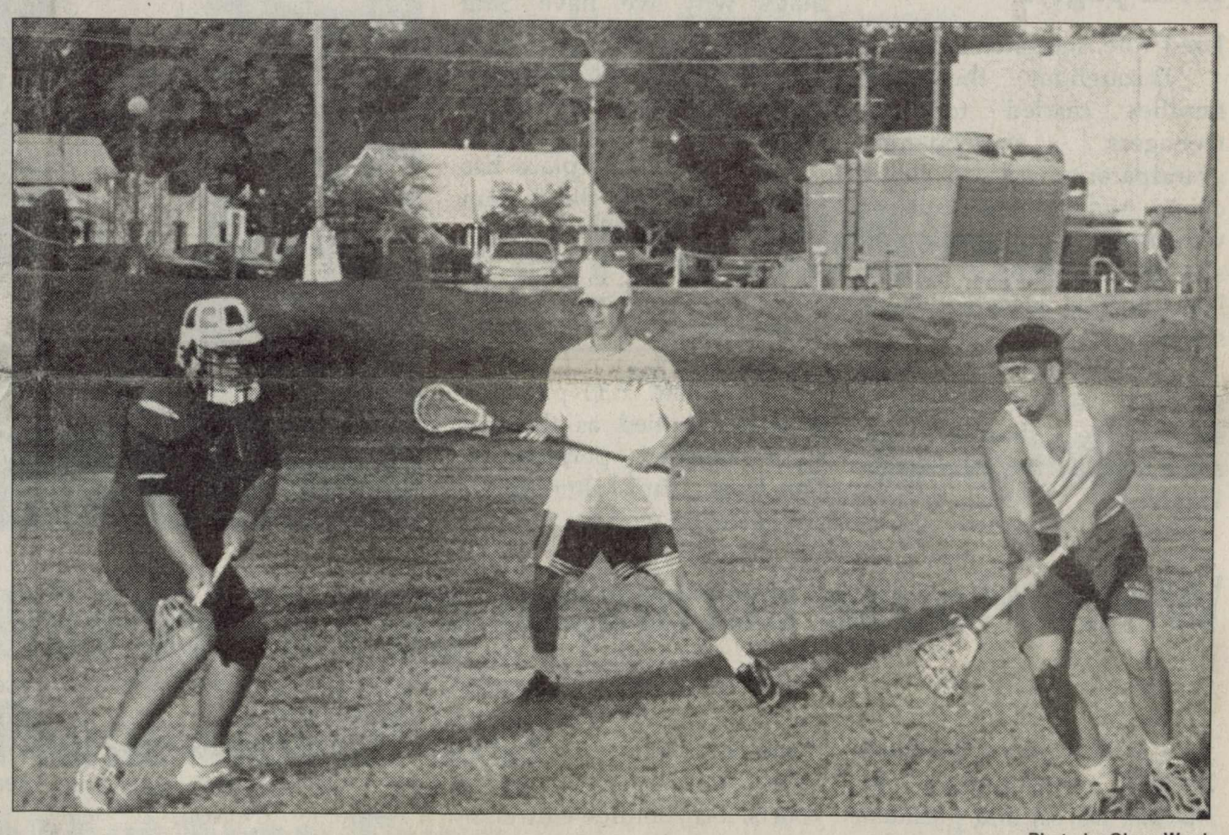


Photo by Glenn Ward
University club lacrosse players (from left) Ronnie Cupit, Jeff Dumestre and Derek Landry work on their stick skills to prepare for possible league play in future semesters.

Currently the team is working on the basic fundamentals, skills, and rules of the game, in order, to get people adapted and possibly draw more student interest. Ball insists the game is easy to pick up.

"It is actually a pretty easy, I learned how to play lacrosse just by watching and from that I picked up all the rules and everything," Ball said, "and then you just have learn how to do all the stick skills; I think it is pretty easy."

"Lacrosse is called the fastest game on two feet, and it is. It is a lot faster than football or soccer," Ball said, "And like hockey there is checking and everything, so it can get pretty rough. It is not like hockey in that they don't allow fighting."

The game is played on a field of 110 yards in length and consists of 15-minute quarters. The rules of hockey were adapted for the rules of lacrosse, so their lies some similarities. Ten people are on the field during the game, and the object-as with most any game-is to put the ball in the net.

Louisiana Tech, Nicholls State, LSU-Shreveport, LSU and Tulane University are a few of the universities that NSU might be playing against if they choose to enter the Big South Lacrosse Conference.

"I'd love that everyone give it a shot ...we are trying to bring it to Louisiana," Ball said. "It is the fastest growing sport n Texas and Oklahoma...it just needs to be brought down here."

Sam Goody/KNWD host 'Battle of the Bands'



Photo by Glenn Ward
Jacob Ryan Hebert, the lead singer for local band Marx Johnson, was one of the many contestants who participated in last weekend's 'Battle of the Bands.'

By Glenn Ward
Sauce Reporter

Underground groups in genres ranging from "emo" punk to "gangsta" rap met at the Wal-Mart Plaza parking lot Saturday to "throw down" for Sam Goody's "Battle of the Bands." Northwestern's KNWD promoted the event and found six bands from around the state to compete for the $100 cash prize.

"Well, it all started along time ago...and that's the whole story," Jerry Jenkins, music director of KNWD and host of the radio show "Hardcore Detour," said. "Actually I never realized there were so many bands here in Natchitoches-we had about twelve local groups call us wanting to get involved."

At 3 p.m. Three Color Portrait took the stage, sidewalk in front of Sam Goody, to play for a growing mob of fans. Groups such as Chain, Marx Johnson, Kelvin, and Sub 3 followed, with Outlaw Music Group performed just after dark for a diverse group of listeners.

"I'm just here to see Marx Johnson," Louisiana School student Carla Saizan yelled. "And Sam Goody's a pretty cool store, it's about the only one I wouldn't shoplift from."

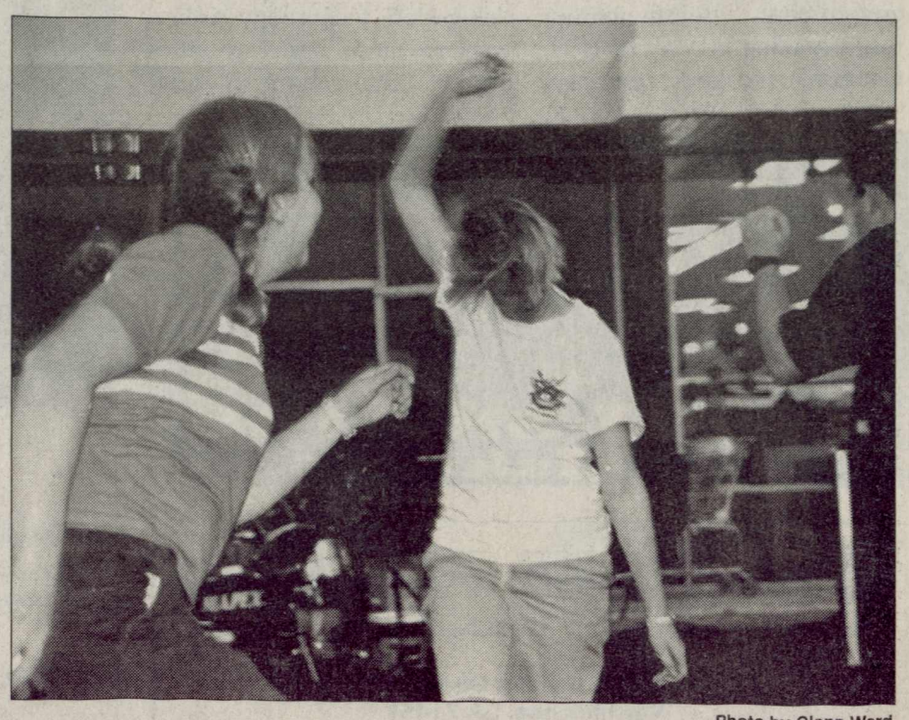


Photo by Glenn Ward
(From left) Sarah Tietje and Alanna Cleland mosh during Marx Johnson's performance in front of Sam Goody.

"I love midgets more than provolone cheese,"

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Sauce editor answers questions from SGA senators

By Bess Renfrow
Sauce Reporter

Rondray Hill, editor of *The Current Sauce*, appeared before the SGA Monday night to answer questions and explain certain concepts to the Senate.

"The reason I went to the meeting was because I felt that, and not only myself but a lot of the staff members thought that, many of the senators just weren't getting the information that they needed to make a balanced decision," Hill said.

After passing out copies of part of *The Current Sauce*'s defense, Hill was allowed twenty minutes to address the SGA. Questions were posed from senators as to the reasons the minutes of the SGA meetings were not being printed in the paper.

Many senators felt that, because Hill signed a contract, he has now broken that contract by not abiding by the by-laws, which require the minutes to be printed. Since he has broken the contract, the SGA says Hill should be removed from his position as editor.

Still other senators feel that it is time for a change in views on both sides.

"It's not a personal issue. It's time for that to be over and for us to look at it as a business issue," Adam Pennell, SGA Senator, said.

However, Hill maintains that this is not a personal issue. His position is that the clause in the by-laws is unconstitutional. Therefore, he should not be required to print the minutes and, if so, there are no grounds for removal.

While it was his right to speak to the SGA, many senators felt that Hill did not accomplish much.

"I know it caused more tension, just by him coming, but I also feel like he felt like he needed to express his opinion," Linzie Ledford, SGA Senator said. This issue has been given to the Supreme Court and will be heard today at 4 p.m. in the Student Union. This hearing is open to the public.

Men become women during 'Miss Residential Life' pageant

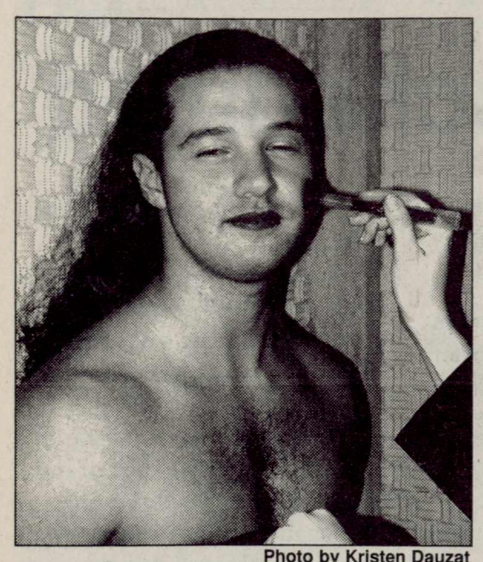


Photo by Kristen Dauzat
University student Chad Munn participated in the 2001 "Miss Residential Life" pageant.

By Demetria Collins
Sauce Reporter

On Tuesday, Sabine Dorm Council held its second annual Miss Residential Life Pageant.

Five guys, wearing mini skirts and hills as if it were second nature, participated in the beauty contest. A huge crowd swarmed the lobby to see these men prance down the runway.

"This will be hilarious," freshmen Shannon Samuels said, before the show. "It will provide entertainment and get a lot of people out of their rooms."

"It takes a real man to fill a woman's shoes," LaTina Thomas said in anticipation.

Using a one to five point system, the contestants were judged on poise, makeup, attire, seriousness, talent, question response, body hair, and of course femininity.

"Creativity is the word for tonight, I want them to make me laugh," Bo Wellborn, a judge, said.

With powdered faces, ruby red lips, and names ranging from Chi Chi Noxzema to Delicious Jackson, the "girls" took to the stage. After the talent competition the votes were tallied. Teddric Matthews won the crown and $75. Brandon Lewis won the prize of $50, and third runner up Terry Robinson won $25.

The new Miss Residential Life says he has never felt so beautiful.

Sam Goody/KNWD

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Jared Yore, spectator, said.

Throughout the day, families carried toddlers, teenagers skateboarder, grandparents sat in lawn chairs and college students wandered aimlessly- all showing support for Natchitoches' growing music scene.

"I think this is great," NSU student Wanetah Walmsley said. "We should have something like this more often. Wal-Mart edits almost everything they have and that's why we have Sam Goody. I don't think what they're doing is inappropriate at all; it's about freedom of speech."

"It's great, this place has been packed all day," Sam Goody store manager Ricky Robbins said.

He also expressed interest in helping future venues for live music.

At around 7:30 p.m. the parking emptied as the last band finished performing. The local "funk/alternative" group Kelvin won the $100.

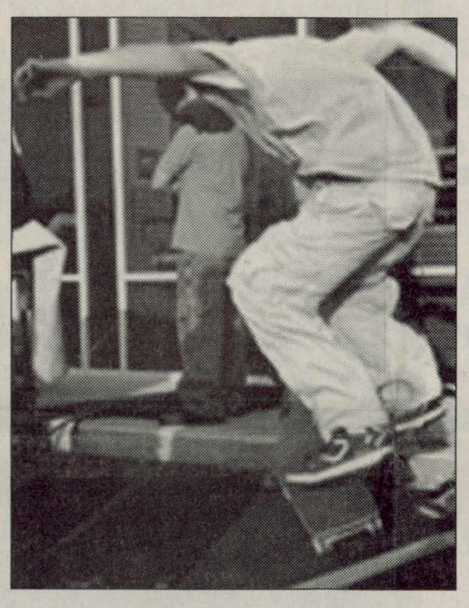


Photo by Glenn Ward
Skateboarder Michael Pullig tries to execute a "180 Ollie" while listening to the music of the day at the 'Battle of the Bands.' "I am here for Kelvin," Pullig said. "Kelvin is pretty cool. It is some good hardcore, head-banging music."

White House correspondent speaks to University

Courtesy News Bureau

Carl M. Cannon, the White House correspondent for *National Journal* and president of the White House Correspondent's Association, will deliver a lecture at the University on Nov. 28.

Cannon will speak at 2 p.m. in Ora G. Williams Studio in room 142 of Kyser Hall. His topic will be "Covering the Presidents: Confessions of a White House Correspondent." The conference is part of the department of journalism's "Movers and Shakers" lecture series.

The *National Journal* is a highly respected non-partisan weekly journal on politics and government. Before joining the magazine in May of 1998, Cannon worked for six newspapers over a 20-year span. Before coming to Washington in the first Reagan term, he covered police, courts, local politics, education and race relations during stints at newspapers in Virginia, Georgia and California.

While on vacation in San Francisco in 1989 to watch the Bay Area World Series, Cannon found himself covering the Loma Prieta earthquake instead. He was a member of the San Jose Mercury News staff awarded the Pulitzer Prize for that coverage. As a reporter in the Washington bureau of Knight-Ridder Newspapers from 1982 to 1993, he covered the California congressional delegation, technology policy, western lands issues, politics and the presidential campaigns of 1984, 1988 and 1992.

In 1993, he was hired by the Baltimore Sun to cover President Clinton. He remained on the White House beat after switching to National Journal to 1998. Last Year, Cannon was honored for his White House coverage by winning the prestigious Gerald R. Ford prize for distinguished reporting of the presidency during 1999. Recently, he was elected president of the White House Correspondents' Association for a term set to begin next year.

Cannon has written for numerous other magazines, including The Atlantic Monthly, New Republic, Forbes ASAP, Brill's Content, George Magazine, Mother Jones and National Review. A native of San Francisco, he attended the University of Colorado, majoring in journalism.

Campus Connections

ORGANIZATIONS

Disney

Disney is giving a presentation about paid internships **today at 5 p.m. in Russell Hall Room 107.** All majors and college levels are eligible.

Catholic Student Organization

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The **BCM** will have Wednesday night worship at the BCM, across the street from Watson Library, every Wednesday night. The worship begins at **8:31 p.m.** All students are welcome to attend. For more information call the BCM at 352-5464.

Circle K International

Circle K International invites you to it's meetings every Tuesday night at 8:30 p.m. in room 320 of the Student Union. For more information call Jessica at 357-5974.

Lady of the Bracelet

Any woman interested in being a participant in the **2002 Miss Lady of the Bracelet pageant** should go by room 214 of the Student Union to pick up a scholarship application.

Fellowship Christian Athletes

FCA will be having its weekly fellowship every Tuesday night. The meetings are held in the **athletic field house** on the south end of Turpin Stadium at 8 p.m. There will be a devotional speaker each week. Everyone is welcome to come and join us in praise.

Spanish Club

The Spanish Club would like to invite potential members to its weekly meetings, every Wednesday at 3 p.m. in room 331 of Kyser Hall.

Argus

The new editions of *Argus*, the NSU literary and art magazine, are ready and can be picked up for free in room **335 of Kyser hall.**

Counseling and Career Services

The following company will be conducting interviews for **IT and EET majors: Cargill-Nov. 30** from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Interested students should bring their transcript and resume to room 305 of the Student Union. This should be done one week before the interview process. For more information, stop by our office in room **305 of the Student Union.**

SPORTS

NSU Club Soccer

NSU Club Soccer invites anyone who is interested in playing club soccer to their practices which are held behind Watson library at 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday and Sunday.

GREEKS

Mu Epsilon Delta

Mu Epsilon Delta and the Kaplan Testing Company are offering a **test drive on Nov. 30** from 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. on the first floor of Bienvenue Hall. Students will be allowed to practice **MCAT, LSAT, GMAT, and GRE tests for $5.** To register call Kaplan Testing at 1-800-467-3007. Space is limited.

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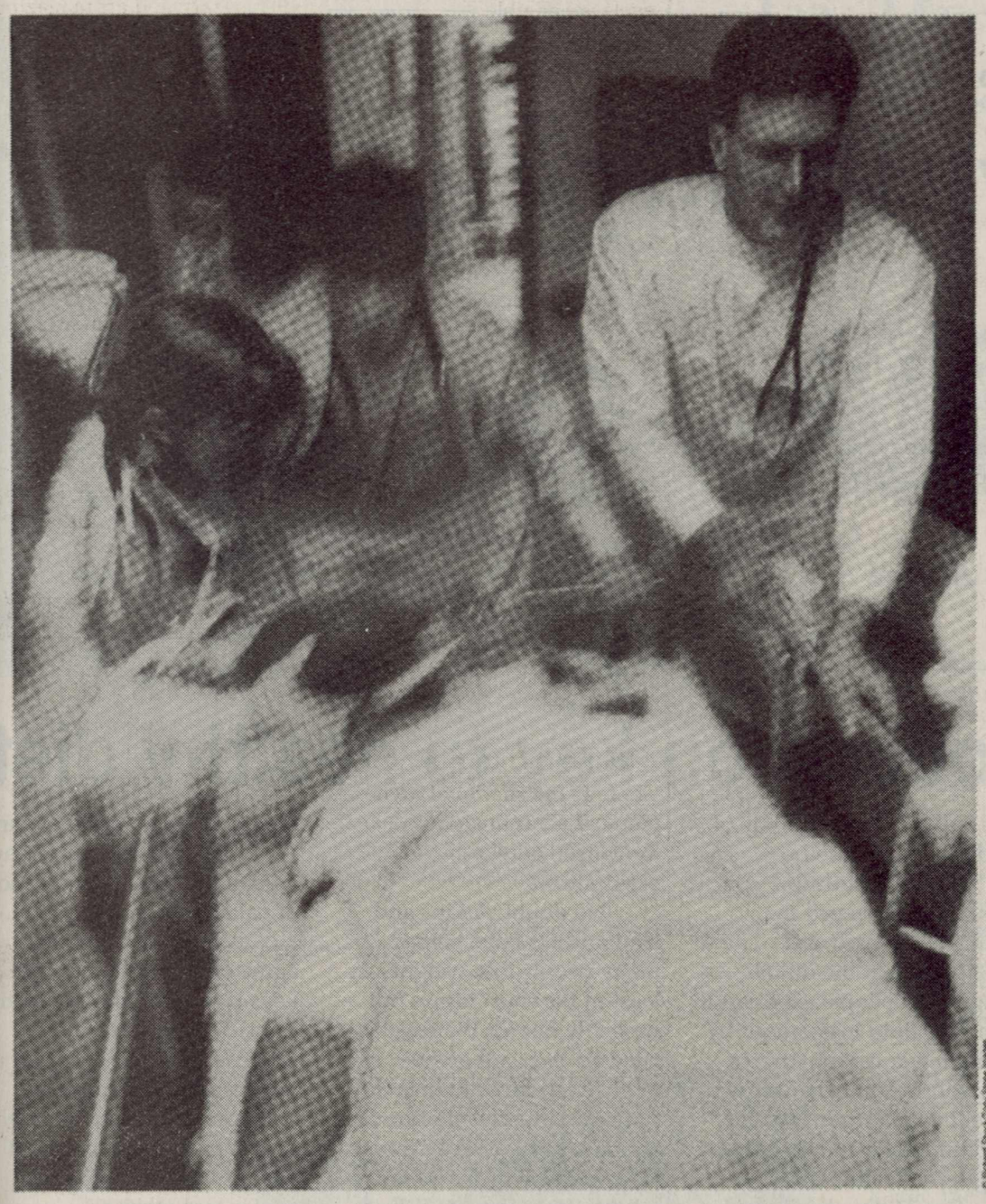
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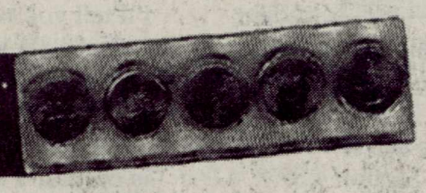
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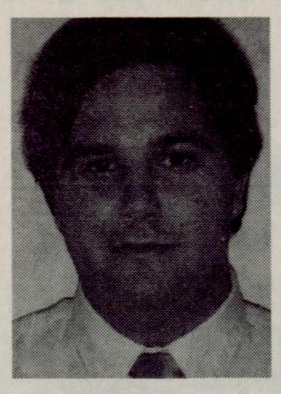
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Use these tips: food survival to last the semester



J. Manny Guendualy
Column Writer

So, we have only a few more weeks left of the semester, and after going through the line at Vic's, many are realizing that they have $19.15 left on their meal cards.

19.15! That's only enough to buy three more salad's. How is a college student to survive with only this much money? Gotta make things stretch from here on, and it's best to have a plan.

No chance now to make the last of the meal card stretch out, best blow it all at once on bags of chips and those cheese crackers thingies to stock up until mid-December.

The best of part of this situation is what stands before now and finals, Thanksgiving Vacation, which translates in these hungry circumstances to "bum off the parents week." Grandmothers don't understand the concept of too much food, so use this to its advantage and get stocked on leftovers. This is also the final week to mooch as much money out of the parental units as possible; if it doesn't come this week, there will be no more money until book-buy-back.

But if all fails and the secret food stash is empty before finals begin, here are some survival lesson's from several of my fellow colleagues and myself:

Ramon Noodles: great until you finish the first half of the crate, or until you read the fat content.

The "Nut Butter" Sandwich: Peanut Butter, Granola, Honey and Bananas on wheat bread micro-heated for 15 seconds. A natural way of cleaning the soul, but watch out, it might clean out more.

Ritz Crackers: A college staple, but even better with cheese, seek Grandma out, they always seem to have loads of the cheese.

The simplistic but delightful tortilla with honey mustard: This is one of those last minute survival tactics, when in doubt, mix anything together.

Finally, the favorite: Spagettio's a la Can: That's right, for just 63 cents a can at Wal-Mart. Heating Optional (don't forget to invest in a can opener).

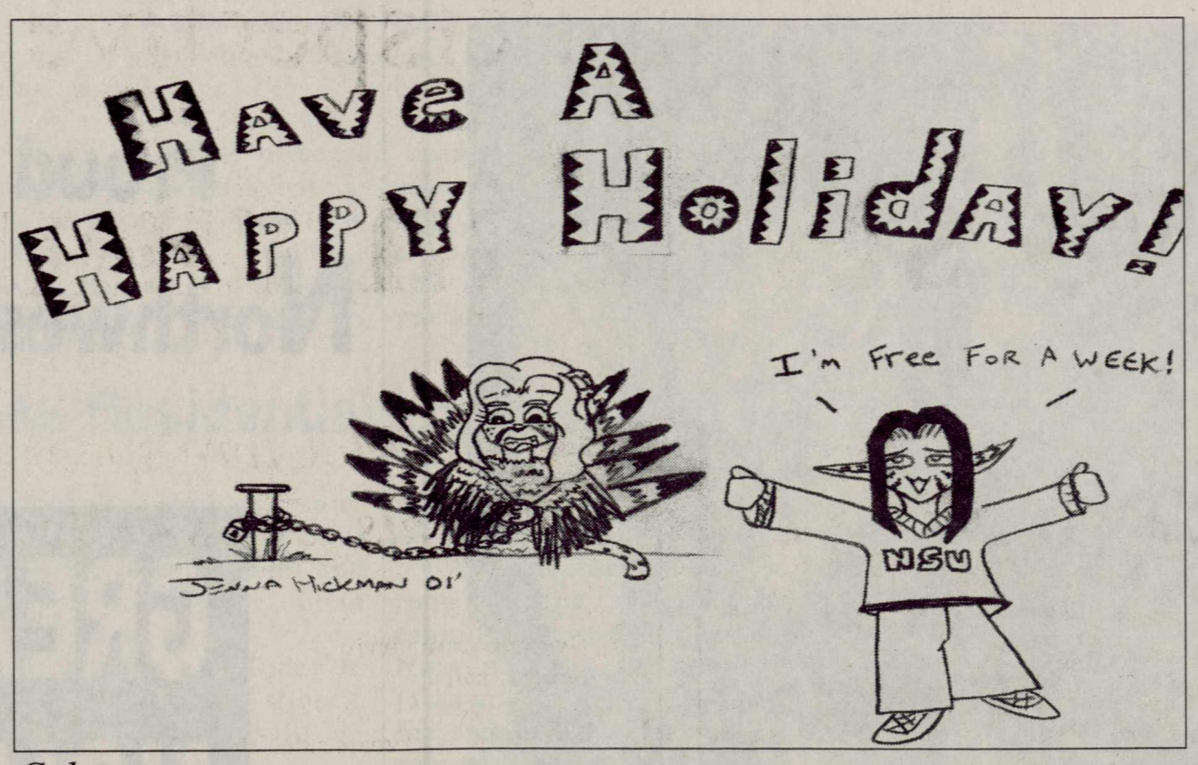
All of these will fight the hunger off till finals are over, but read the fat content, because you might end up with that Freshman 15 you've been fighting against all year.

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Column

Balance, moderation key to healthy diet

Knight Ridder Newspapers

The following editorial appeared in the Wichita Eagle on Thursday, Nov. 8:

Can you really have your steak and eat it, too? Popular high-protein, low-carbohydrate diets such as the Atkins Diet say yes, luring millions of dieters with the promise that they can eat rib eyes, bacon and other fatty foods and still lose weight.

Is it too good to be true? Yes, says the American Heart Association, which recently issued a strong warning against high-protein diets, citing the lack of scientific evidence of long-term weight loss and the increased risk of cardiovascular disease.

An AHA nutrition committee surveyed the available research and concluded that the initial weight loss people experience is mostly fluid loss caused by eating fewer carbohydrates. Any short-term benefits are offset by lower mineral and vitamin intake and significant long-term health risks.

Two of the plans - Atkins and Protein Power - were especially criticized for having high levels of total fat, saturated fat and cholesterol, all of which put high-protein dieters at greater risk for heart disease. And the high-protein plans also carry higher risks for cancer, gout and osteoporosis.

No doubt, Atkins and similar diets have helped many people lose weight - at least in the short term - but probably not for the reasons cited by their adherents.

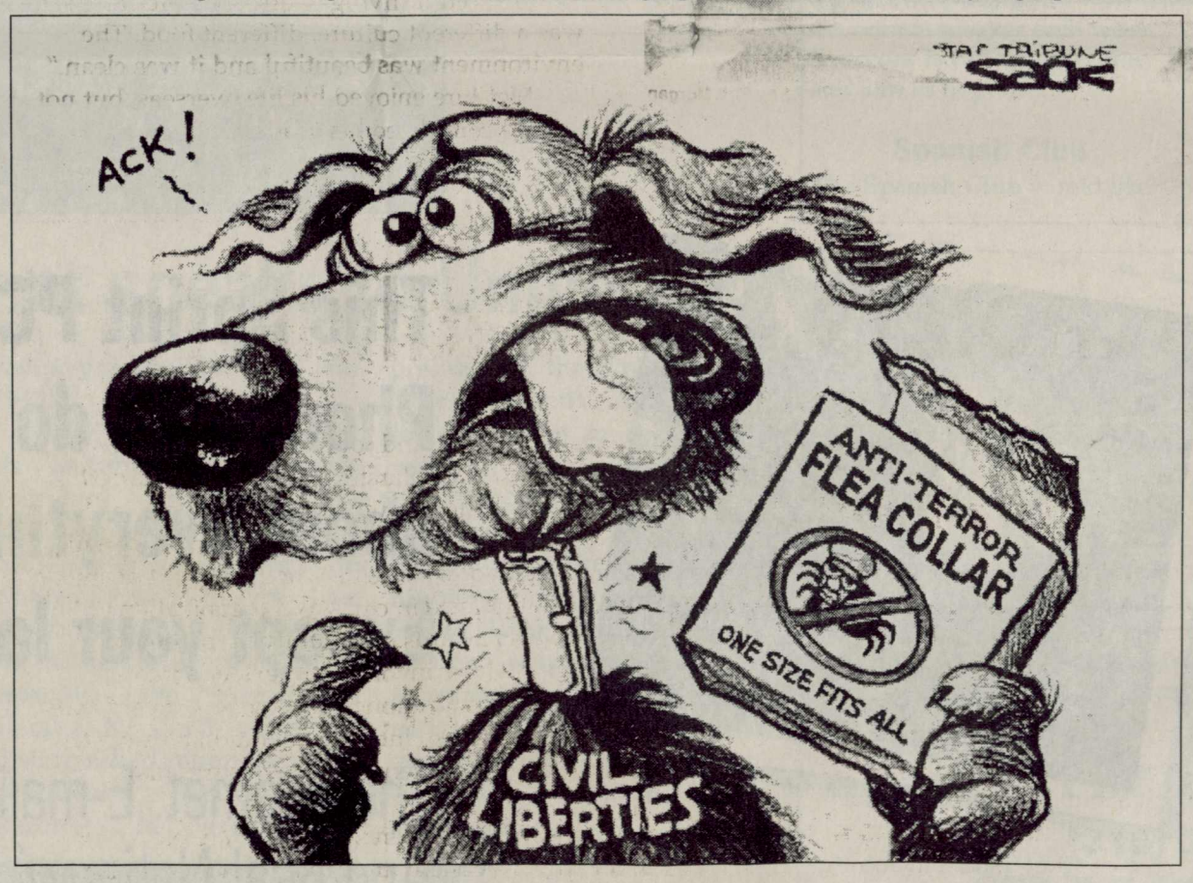
"High-protein diets do not build muscle and burn fat, as some people think," says Ann Coulson of the American Dietetic Association. "What the diet books fail to point out is that the real reason people are losing weight is that they are simply eating fewer calories."

Both extremely low-fat and extremely high-protein diets probably miss the mark. As common sense has always dictated, it's really a question of balance and moderation.

Almost all diet gurus agree on a central fact: The keys to weight loss are cutting calories and increasing exercise. And to keep it off and stay healthy, you need a balanced, nutritious diet that draws from the major food groups, including grains, pastas and other carbohydrates.

Eat less, exercise more.

Remember those four words, and you can probably choose the diet that fits your taste buds.



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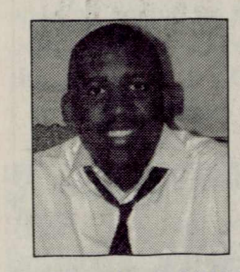
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Editor's Take

A few parting shots on the SGA, before I get fired



Rondray Hill
Editor's Take

Later today, Thursday, Nov. 15, at 4 p.m. in the Student Union, the Student Supreme Court will meet to discuss the constitutionality of Article 10, Section 4.5.

Maybe.

This is the "minutes article," and it requires The Current Sauce to print the minutes of the SGA meeting every week.

To make a long story short, we haven't printed them since Oct. 18, and Supreme Court will make a recommendation as to whether I should be fired for not printing them.

This entire issue should be over after Thanksgiving.

Seeing as how this may be one of my last opportunities to write a column in the paper as Editor, I am going to tell you five things about your Student Government Association, and I'll tell you why this paper is fighting for your right to have a student newspaper free from the SGA.

1) The SGA Constitution is outdated and un-compliant with federal laws: The U.S. Supreme court decided in 1974 that governments cannot force newspapers to print anything, be minutes, editorials, advertisements or anything in any newspaper (Miami Herald Publishing Co. v. Tornillo). Furthermore, the courts have ruled that even if a student newspaper receives student activity fees, the paper is still not subject to prior restraints by any kind of administration or governing agency.

2) We believe that the best student paper is an independent newspaper: When a student newspaper has any sort of government control, it is no longer a student newspaper. It is a student government newspaper. Despite what the SGA may claim, they do not fund The Current Sauce. You do. It's your money, not theirs. They just happen to be in charge of the checkbook.

3) The SGA completely ignored the Media Board's recommendations: The NSU Media Board is comprised of the heads of the departments of journalism and English, as well as faculty members, the Vice President of Student Affairs and the University Provost. A well-credential staff of minds. This board recommended that the SGA constitution is not compliant with federal laws, that The Current Sauce does not have to print the SGA minutes, and that I not be fired. Instead of taking those recommendations and killing this entire issue, the SGA flat out ignored them and is instead waiting on a recommendation from a group of students who can't figure out what time to meet. Doesn't make sense to me.

4) There are some good Senators... It's the case of a few bad apples ruining the bunch. I have spoken with many SGA Senators who think this entire process is a waste of time. They've told me that they don't agree with the Senators who want to fire me, and that they see The Current Sauce's argument clearly.

5) ...But most of the Senators don't care about you: Make no mistake; most of the SGA Senators only care about being able to put "SGA Senator" on their resumes. They have no plans on getting to the business of the students. Need proof? Residents of Rapides lost their visitation rights earlier this year after someone left toxic bodily wastes in the showers. Instead of showing any concern for the students living in Rapides, the SGA senators, namely Jessica Cramer, Justin Owen, and Buster Carlisle, have continually criticized The Current Sauce, saying the story "made the University look bad." As a former resident of Rapides, I was outraged to hear these senators speak so aristocratically about its residents. Quotes like, "who cares about what happens in Rapides, I don't live there" and "they're a different breed of student," were said by the people who claim to be the voice of the students. Think about that the next time the SGA "swarms" your dorm. There's more. A lot more. But for some reason, the SGA is coming after me. So I might not be here much too longer. Standing up for the students and for the First Amendment may cost me my job.

But these are the facts. This is the truth, and I hope someone realizes this.

Want to sound off to Rondray? Visit www.currentsauce.com and click on the Talk Back to the Editor" link. Then, post a response. Be sure to put your name and classification on all posts.

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In Perspective

No sense in running off

Henry McClure speaks about his NSU track days, his job as a House Director in Bossier Hall



Photo courtesy Henry McClure

Members of the 1960 track team line up for a race. McClure, fifth from left, ran the 100 and 220-yard dashes, and the 440 and 880 relay races.



Henry McClure helps deskworker, Chavonda Jones. McClure is a House Director in Bossier Hall.

Photo by Rob Morgan

By Dominique Irvin
Sauce Reporter

It's been 40 years since Henry McClure was a student and an athlete at NSU. McClure, who is a Housing Director in Bossier Hall, first came to NSU from Minden, La., on a track scholarship in 1960. He ran the 100 and 220-yard dashes, and the 440 and 880 relay races.

"We had a very good track team at that time," McClure said. "We were always in the top three in the Gulf State Conference at that time."

McClure keeps and eye on the track team today.

"I keep up with them to see how they're doing because it brings back memories," McClure said.

He sees a difference in the team today.

"The teams are a lot better now than they were back then, and there's a more personal relationship between the coaches and the track people," McClure said. When McClure was an athlete, many of the coaches worked with more than one sport. Walter Ledet, the track coach at the time, also worked with the football team.

In 1964, McClure tore both of his hamstrings. McClure got discouraged.

"I up and quit and went overseas," McClure said.

McClure went to Norway. There, he married and worked as an offshore drilling superintendent.

"I loved it (living overseas)," McClure said. "It was a different culture, different food. The environment was beautiful and it was clean."

McClure enjoyed his life overseas, but not having completed his academic degree always bothered him. After 22 years overseas, McClure returned to Natchitoches. He was offered a job at NSU as a Housing Director, a position he still holds today. He works and lives in Bossier Hall.

"I really enjoy my job," McClure said. "I like working with my staff and the faculty."

While McClure enjoys working with the students, he does wish students would appreciate what they have.

"I wish they would take a little more pride in keeping the environment around the dorms cleaner. This is a beautiful campus, and it can be more if residents take care of it."

He said students don't know how lucky they are.

"The dorms are above average, and years ago, the classroom weren't air-conditioned," he said.

McClure recalls when St. Denis (cashier's office) was the cafeteria.

"You ate what they put on your tray, you didn't have a choice," he said.

In his spare time, McClure watches sports.

"When I was overseas, I lost 22 years of watching football games," he said. "So, I'm catching up on that. I'm a fanatic."

McClure plans to travel more. He wants to go to Singapore one day and perhaps teach at an American school in Spain.

"That's what I'd like to do after I retire," he said.

For now, McClure continues to serve the university that once gave him an opportunity to do what he loved.

Priority scholarship deadline for Fall 2002 is Dec. 1

The priority scholarship deadline for the fall 2002 semester at Northwestern State University is Dec. 1, 2001.

Northwestern has a variety of scholarships available for incoming freshman.

According to NSU Director of Enrollment Services Ina Agnew, one of the most important things a prospective student can do is make sure their application is sent in for consideration as early as possible. The regular deadline is March 1, but those who meet the priority deadline receive first attention.

"The university has a number of different scholarships available to help students pay some of the costs of college," said Agnew. "We will work with individuals to assist them as much as possible provided we receive all needed information."

Northwestern provides five types of scholarships including academic scholarships which consider high school grade point average, class rank and ACT and/or SAT score. Other available aid includes performance scholarships which are awarded through an audition to students who take part in special activities such as theatre, band and spirit groups. Leadership scholarships are awarded to students who have held positions or have been active members in clubs and organization.

The university also awards community involvement scholarships to those whose involvement extends into community and civic organizations. Employment awards are also given. These awards take into consideration a student's leadership ability, work experience and extracurricular involvement.

By Dec. 1, prospective students should complete an Application for Admission and an Application for Scholarships. They should also submit the application fee, ACT and/or SAT score and a six-semester high school transcript. The university recommends documentation confirming participation in activities and leadership roles. Letters of recommendation are also welcome.

All scholarship applications are evaluated by the University Scholarship Committee which includes NSU faculty and staff. The committee determines awards based on the applicant pool. All students who apply for a scholarship are placed into a database. The mean grade point average and ACT/SAT scores are calculated and this serves as a measure on how to award budgeted scholarship funds. In order to be considered by the committee, students must complete their application and have it turned in by the deadline.

For more information on the deadline or the scholarship process at NSU, contact the Scholarships Office at (318) 357-4357

National Great American Smokeout observed today

By Tara L. Gallien
Sauce Reporter

Ten million Americans are expected to participate in the American Cancer Society's Great American Smokeout today by smoking less or quitting. Since this event went national 25 years, it has spurred dramatic changes in how society views tobacco promotion and tobacco use.

The Great American Smokeout has helped to spotlight the dangers of tobacco use and the challenges of quitting. Not long ago, nonsmoking airplane passengers had no choice but to breathe clouds of smoke as other passengers lit up cigarettes in the next row. Restaurant diners had to tolerate the smells of tobacco while they tried to savor their meals. Now, the smoke is finally clearing.

Many changes have occurred over the past 25 years:

* In 1971 advertising tobacco on television was prohibited
* In 1977 California became the first state to limit smoking in restaurants and other public places
* In 1983 California was first again to pass laws prohibiting smoking in the workplace
* In 1994 Mississippi filed the first of 24 state lawsuits seeking to recuperate millions of dollars from tobacco companies for smokers' Medicaid bills
* In 1999 the Department of Justice filed suit against the cigarette manufacturers for defrauding the public by lying about the risks of smoking and deliberately altering the cigarette to increase addiction

Nicotine Addiction

We all know that nicotine is addictive. But how addictive? Just ask a smoker who has tried to quit. Nicotine is as addictive as heroin and cocaine. It is a powerful, poisonous drug with deadly consequences. Eighty percent of smokers started before the age of 18; 60 percent before the age of 14. Nearly 3000 people under the age of 18 become new smokers everyday. Smokers die 10 to 12 years earlier than nonsmokers. Smoking is the single most preventable cause of premature death in the U.S. [place as an insert in article]

How to Quit

There are several factors to consider when choosing a cessation method that's appropriate for you. Such as:

* Length of time you have been smoking
* Triggers that cause you to smoke
* Whether you smoke regularly or randomly
* Whether you've tried to quit before
* Number of cigarettes you smoke a day
* Whether you experience intense morning cravings.

Discuss these factors with your health care provider or your pharmacist to develop the best method of quitting for yourself. The following steps will help you adhere to your commitment to quit.

1. Choose a cessation method (i.e., cold turkey, gradual, or nicotine replacement therapy)
2. Don't keep it a secret - tell family, friends, and coworkers
3. Get rid of smoking paraphernalia (e.g., lighters, ashtrays, matches) in your home, vehicle, and at work.
4. Ask friends and family members not to smoke around you.
5. Avoid bars and other spots where smokers gather or where you smoked in the past
6. Strengthen your resolve by making a contract or wager with a friend, family member, or coworker
7. DON'T GIVE UP! Research has shown that if you keep trying, you will eventually stop.

Contact the American Cancer Society web site (www.cancer.org) for more information on quitting. This site is an excellent source for information related to smoking addiction and cessation.

Rock `n' soul: People across U.S. flocking to Christian music

By Edward M. Eveld
Knight Ridder Newspapers

The boys in the band are where they're supposed to be on Sunday night, in the basement of a suburban office building, plugging in their guitars, arranging the mikes.

It's a practice session like so many others for a band called Unified Front. Except this:

Drummer Todd Davidson pulls a laptop out of an orange gym bag, powers up and announces an upcoming string of performances - seven days in a row.

"Yes!" blurts guitarist Chris Jackson.

After coming together a year-and-a-half ago, this five-member band is in hot demand among local Christian music fans, especially those who like their rock fully electric and unrestrained.

"Everybody get up!" screamed Unified Front's lead singer, J.T. Brown, at a recent Christian music festival at Starlight Theatre. "Let me see you jump!"

The fans jumped. They screamed. So did the guitars, played by Jackson and Adam O'Kane. And so did Brown, wearing black-rimmed glasses and a goatee, blaring lyrics he wrote and that, if you listen closely, praise God. Davidson's corkscrew curls flew as he slammed down his drumsticks.

In case you hadn't noticed, Christian music nationally is now the fastest-growing segment of the music industry. And youth are flocking to concerts, coffeehouses and church services that feature Christian rock. Some of it is melodic and acoustic. But some is bolder, in-your-face, even angry-sounding.

At the Rock the Light concert at Starlight, where Unified Front performed on a side stage in the afternoon, more than 5,400 fans paid about $22 for a daylong array of bands from across the country, capped by the nationally popular Newsboys at 10 p.m. The audience was nearly double last year's gate of about 2,300.

Nationally, concert attendance overall is on a slide. The one exception is Christian concerts. And contemporary Christian artists rang up record sales last year of $747 million, which is not as big as country music but double the sales of Latin music and bigger than classical, jazz and New Age combined.

The music draws younger fans, of course, teen-agers and 20-somethings. Their parents might not listen, but most don't object to the fusion of popular culture and Christianity, especially considering what modern secular music sometimes serves up.

A recent secular example: A Kansas City parent accompanying a group of 14-year-olds to a Blink 182 concert at Sandstone Amphitheatre was shocked by the opening extravaganza: a giant four-letter word appeared on stage and burst into flames and served as the band's fiery backdrop.

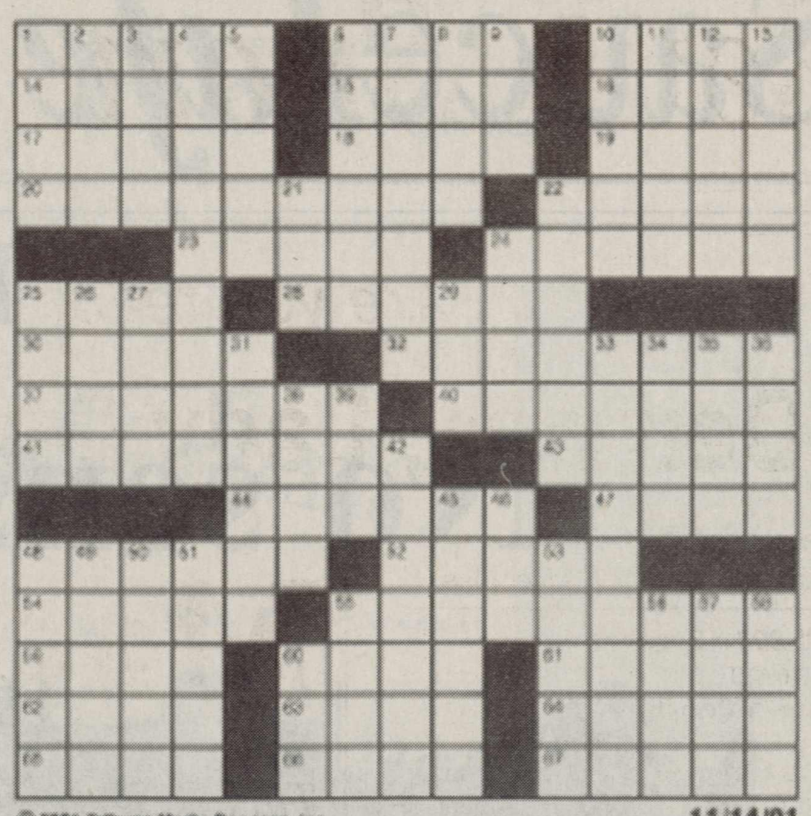
This does not happen at Christian rock venues, and it's not just parents who are happy about that. Fans said a concert experience like the one at Rock the Light is fun and energizing. And the special effects don't push the decency envelope: Fans love the Newsboys' trademark drum set that rotates at a 45-degree angle.

Amanda Shrader, a 14-year-old from Overland Park, Kan., gave her hair an orange dye job the morning of Rock the Light and used her computer to print a "free hugs" sign, which she wore. Passers-by took her up on it. The orange hair was just for fun, but she was serious about spreading good feelings to people who needed a hug, she said.

Julie Smale, a 16-year-old from Merriam, Kan., said drugs and drinking at other rock concerts are a turnoff for her.

"This is the place you can get away from that," Amanda agreed.

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Are you ready for Demon/Lady Demon Basketball?

Demons, Lady Demons on the road to 'a legacy'

2001-2002 Demon and Lady Demon Basketball Schedules

2001-2001 Demons

Nov. 16 @ TCU	7 p.m.
Nov. 18 @ Memphis	TBA
Nov. 19-21 @ Las Vegas Tourney	
Nov. 27 @ Hawaii	7 p.m.
Dec. 2 @ LSU	4 p.m.
Dec. 8 @ Grambling	7 p.m.
Dec. 18 @ Okla. State	7 p.m.
Dec. 29 @ Lamar	7 p.m.
Jan. 3 vs. Stephen F. Austin	**6:30 p.m.**
Jan. 5 @ UTA	4 p.m.
Jan. 7@ Centenary	7:05 p.m.
Jan.10 @ Nicholls	7 p.m.
Jan.12 @ Southeastern	7 p.m.
Jan. 17 vs. SWT	**6:30 p.m.**
Jan. 19 vs. UTSA	**4 p.m.**
Jan. 24 vs. Lamar	**6:30 p.m.**
Jan. 26 vs. Sam Houston	**4 p.m.**
Jan. 31 vs. ULM	**7 p.m.**
Feb.2 vs. McNeese	**6:30 p.m.**
Feb. 4 @ Sam Houston	5:30 p.m.
Feb. 8 @ SWT	7 p.m.
Feb. 10 @ UTSA	2 p.m.
Feb. 14 vs. Nicholls	**6:30 p.m.**
Feb. 16 vs. Southeastern	**4 p.m.**
Feb. 19 vs. Centenary	**6:30 p.m.**
Feb. 21 @ SFA	7 p.m.
Feb. 23 vs. UTA	**4 p.m.**
Feb. 28 @ McNeese	7 p.m.
Mar. 2 @ ULM	4 p.m.

2001-2001 Lady Demons

Nov. 16 vs. Henderson	**6:30 p.m.**
Nov. 24-25 @ LSU Tournament	
Dec. 1-2 @ ASU Holiday Classic	
Dec. 8 vs. Jackson State	**6:30 p.m.**
Dec. 18 @ Sam Houston	7 p.m.
Dec. 20 @ Lamar	7 p.m.
Dec. 29 @ Jackson State	TBD
Dec. 31 @ McNeese	7 p.m.
Jan. 5 @ UTA	1:30 p.m.
Jan. 7 vs. SFA	**6:30 p.m.**
Jan. 12 @ Southeastern	3 p.m.
Jan. 14 @ Nicholls	7 p.m.
Jan. 19 vs. UTSA	**2 p.m.**
Jan. 21 vs. SWT	**6:30 p.m.**
Jan. 26 vs Sam Houston	**2 p.m.**
Jan. 28 vs. Lamar	**6:30 p.m.**
Feb. 4 vs ULM	**6:30 p.m.**
Feb. 9 @ UTSA	2 p.m.
Feb. 11 @ SWT	7 p.m.
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Mac Attack

This is Jerrald McRae's last season at NSU, and he wants to leave a mark.

By Rondray Hill
Editor

Nashville, Tennessee, is a long way from Natchitoches.

Jerrold McRae, a four-year senior on the Demon Basketball team, figures it's probably about an eight-hour drive.

You see, McRae is from Nashville, and four years ago, he and his father made the trip down to Natchitoches, where Jerrold would spend the next years of his life playing basketball.

"It wasn't a problem for me being so far away from home because of the relationship I had with my teammates," McRae said. "When I couldn't go home on some occasions, I went to some of my teammates' houses. Plus, I have family in New Orleans, so I get to visit them more often."

His is an interesting story of how things change in life. The 21-year-old business administration major says that when he was still in high school, he planned on playing basketball for the University of Southern Mississippi. That's when the NSU coaches stepped in.

"The NSU coaches started recruiting me hard," McRae said. "Every night they could call, they called. Everything they could send, they sent. Plus they got in good with my father. They would talk about anything related to sports."

Jerrold's father has a particular interest in sports. Jerrold Sr. was a two-time all-American wide receiver at Tennessee State. Jerrold Sr. also played in the NFL with the Philadelphia Eagles.

The family resemblance is there between Jerrold Jr. and Jerrold Sr., at least in build. At 6 feet, 5 inches, and weighing close to 200 pounds, McRae looks like a football tight end running up the basketball court. He and his dad are close, and it was important for Jerrold Jr. that Jerrold Sr. approved of his choice in school.

"My dad saw that the coaches took an interest in me, and not just as a basketball player," McRae said. He saw that they had concern for me, where some other coaches didn't.

And now he's here. He's been here for four years. And he thinks the best is yet to come.

"There have been a lot of changes here. People expect more from us now than they did when I was a freshman," McRae said. It's been two years in a row now that we've had a good team, and people expect more of that.

As one of the few seniors on the team, McRae thinks that the recruiting classes of the last two years will help to continue success for the Demon program.

"The young players on the team are good players, but they also want to learn," McRae said. "They're always asking questions.

"I think that there will be a new legacy here at NSU," McRae said. "Most of the banners up in the roof at Prather Coliseum are from the teams of the '40s and '50s. Hopefully we can start something new."

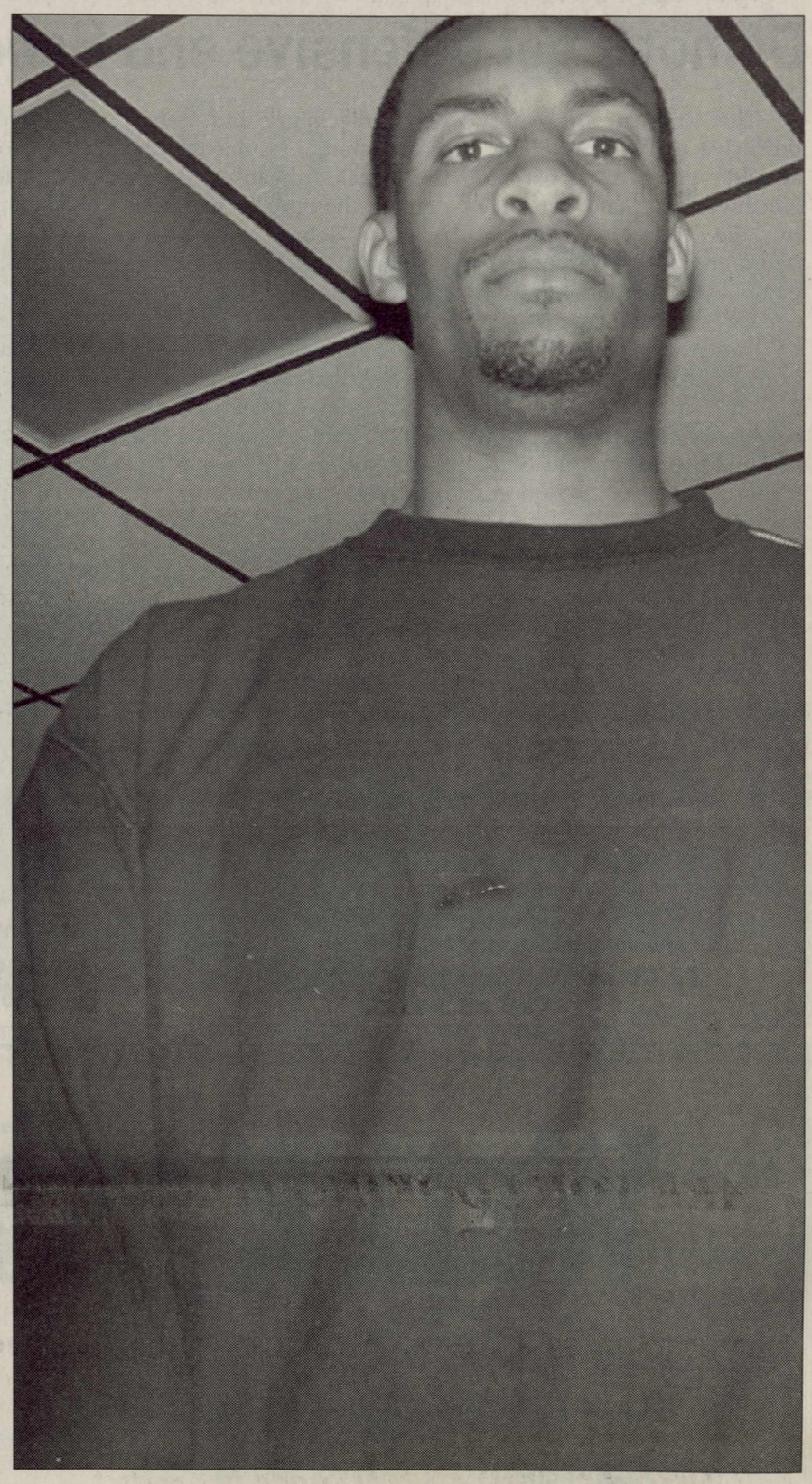


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Jerrald McRae is one of the seniors who will try to help get the Demons back to the NCAA tournament. McRae, a 21-year-old Business administration major, says that with the recruiting class the Demons have along with the talent already in the lineup, NSU is poised to start "a new legacy of excellence."

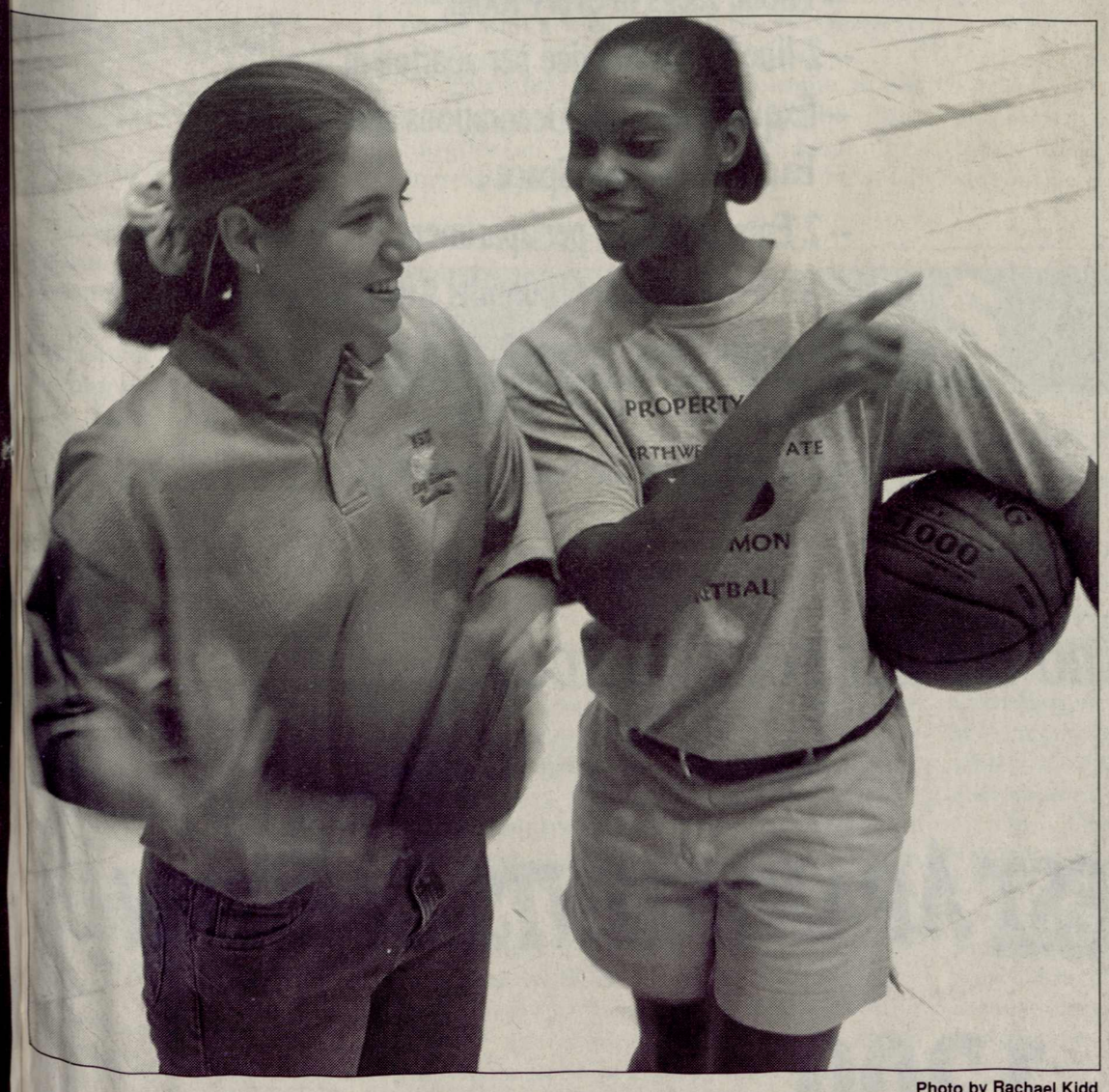


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Jennifer Graf (left) and Kia Converse (right) were teammates on the floor for the Lady Demons for four years. They are teammates once again, but this time on the bench. Both Graf and Converse will be assisting the Lady Demons as coaches. Graf is in her second year as assistant coach while Converse is starting her first.

That's Coach Lady to you

After leading the Lady Demons to success on the court, Jennifer Graf and Kia Converse hope to lead the Lady Demons to more success from the bench

By Jeremy Pace
Sauce Reporter

Throughout the history of basketball, numerous people have had successful careers as players and eventually made the transition to coaching. People such as Phil Jackson, Pat Riley and Larry Bird have all played and coached. Kia Converse and Jennifer Graf both enjoyed successful careers as members of the Northwestern State Lady Demon basketball team, but now that their playing careers are over they have turned their focus towards coaching.

Converse and Graf are now both assistant coaches for the 2001-2002 Lady Demons basketball team. Their drive and determination used as players has now been channeled into helping younger members of the team and promoting the success of the Lady Demons. The transition from player to coach has not been easy but the level of excitement in this new experience makes everything worth while.

Jennifer Graf was a graduate assistant on last year's team that fell only one game short of the NCAA tournament. This experience made for good use now that Graf is now an assistant coach and has a role to fulfill. "Making the switch from player to coach was more difficult last year," Graf said. "I still wanted to be out there." This year has brought more experience and a better understanding of the responsibilities she has.

A similar situation has arisen for Kia Converse. After her stellar senior campaign she has been given the opportunity to offer her basketball knowledge as an assistant coach.

"It's different, a lot better than I expected, I already have the players respect so there is no problem communicating with them," Converse said. "I am still not used to being called Coach though."

Converse and Graf are both excited about the new challenge that faces them. "Every day there is a new experience, I am still not sure what to expect yet from coaching," Converse said. Both were invaluable assets to the Lady Demons as players, and they both hope they can contribute as members of the coaching staff. No one knows what the future holds for these rookie coaches. "Ever since I was little I wanted to be a coach, and eventually I would like to be a college head coach," Graf said. Converse is unsure about her coaching career and is just enjoying this new experience. " As long as I am in Natchitoches and Coach Smith is still here I will still help out, after that I don't know," she said.

Demons hit the jackpot; sign highly touted basketball recruits

Highly-regarded New Iberia star Jermaine Spencer and Northwood (Lena) standout Clifton Lee, a pair of forwards, signed Wednesday to play basketball for Northwestern State, said Demon coach Mike McConathy.

The 6-7, 205-pound Spencer averaged 20 points and 12 rebounds last year for New Iberia and is starting for the fourth straight year, a rarity in the perennially powerful Class 5A program. The 6-6, 185-pound Lee averaged 18.4 points and 12.5 rebounds last season as Northwood went 28-6 and reached the Class A playoff quarterfinals.

Spencer is one of the most hotly-recruited prospects ever to sign with the Demons, who were Louisiana's only representative in the 2001 NCAA Tournament at the end of McConathy's second season as head coach. He was listed among the nation's top 200 prospects by PrepStars.com and is an honorable mention prep All-American in the 2001-02 Street & Smith's College Basketball Yearbook.

Spencer attended the prestigious Adidas ABCD Camp in New Jersey, the Bob Gibbons camp in North Carolina and blue chip prospect tournaments in New York, Texas, Florida and Georgia earlier this summer.

"Jermaine is a benchmark recruit for our program," McConathy said. "He will help keep Demon basketball competing at the championship level in the Southland Conference and he can be a cornerstone for elevating our program on a national level," the Demon coach said.

"Jermaine is a power player at 6-7 with the ability to attack the basketball on the rim. He has a very complete game," McConathy said. "He is a consistent shooter from 15-18 feet, can shoot the 3-pointer off the catch, and loves to rebound and defend."

Lee, who plays for former NSU head coach Wayne Yates at Northwood, has helped the Gators post a 20-0 district record in the past two seasons. ?Clifton is a talented inside player with the skills to make the transfer to playing outside without any problem," McConathy said.

"He is an unbelievably good shooter from the 15-17 foot range and in. He has super long arms that help make him a very good defender because of his ability to get his hands on passes and alter shots. We project him to play the 2 and 3 guard slots. He's a very good ballhandler who has played in a very successful program." McConathy said.

McConathy said Lee was "a diamond in the rough.

"I know that's a cliche, but it fits. Clifton didn't get as much attention in recruiting that players from more populated areas get. That is a big plus for us. If coaches had seen him a lot, they would have been as impressed with him as we were.

Demons get defensive end Hebert back for Saturday

The return of fiery defensive end Jeremy Hebert should give a boost to Northwestern State Saturday in the Demons' pivotal Southland Football League game at Turpin Stadium against Stephen F. Austin.

The Demons (7-3) and Lumberjacks (6-3) square off at 2 p.m. in a game with conference championship and national playoff ramifications. Hebert, a 5-9, 245-pound sophomore from Plaquemine, will play for the first time in seven weeks since he suffered torn ligaments in his left elbow late in a win at TCU.

Surgery was successful to repair the injury and Hebert was cleared to resume playing this week, ahead of when doctors thought he might be ready. Hebert was the Demons' fourth-leading tackler with 18 stops in four games when he was hurt.

"Getting Jeremy back on the field is already a very positive development for our team," said Demon coach Steve Roberts. "He's the kind of player who makes everyone around him better. You can see him bouncing around out there and beaming because he's been itching to play again.

"From an emotional perspective and a standpoint of leadership by example, it's a big boost for us," Roberts said. "How much he will be able to play is impossible to say, but there's no doubt it's great to have him on the field again."

Hebert's injury prompted the Demons to move junior linebacker Roy Locks to the end spot. He will remain the starter with sophomore Stefon Bostick and Hebert also fitting into the playing rotation.

"Any time you get a good player back on the field at this stage of the season, it's a very good thing," Roberts said. "This week we're playing an outstanding offensive team with a multi-talented quarterback in Wes Pate, and having another set of fresh legs in there to chase him around is going to be a big plus."

Pivotal in Saturday's outcome is the matchup of the Demons' Purple Swarm defense, which tops the conference in pass defense allowing only 162 yards per game, against SFA's passing attack producing 254 yards per game.

"Pate is a very dangerous passer and an outstanding runner as well," Roberts said. "We have our work cut out for us."

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Department of Journalism hosts annual Journalism Day

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The University's department of journalism will hold its annual Careers Day tomorrow. Registration begins at 8 a.m. with the program starting at 9 a.m. Up to 400 Louisiana high school students considering a career in journalism are expected to attend.

The keynote speaker will be Patrick Dennis, chief meteorologist at KSLA-TV in Shreveport. The closing speaker will be Monica Carter, education/human relations editor and columnist for the Times of Shreveport. Both Dennis and Carter will also teach workshops.

Additional workshop presenters will be Alyson Briggs, an account executive with Judy Williams Creative Group, a public relations agency in Shreveport; Mario Villafuerte, a free lance photojournalist and Christine Nuner who will teach an adviser's workshop.

Creative and performing arts holds annual Christmas Gala

Courtesy of Sauce Staff

For those of you who feel you lack or do not lack the "Christmas spirit," Northwestern State University's creative and performing arts department will hold its annual Christmas Gala beginning today at 9:30 a.m.

"The Christmas Gala gets you in the Christmas spirit," Josh Green, junior journalism major said.

The performance scheduled for today at 9:30 a.m and tomorrow's performance scheduled for 9:30 a.m. are for Louisiana's outreach program. These programs are for grade school students only.

The performances scheduled for tomorrow night at 7 p.m. and 8 p.m. are open to the students and the public. All University students are admitted into the Christmas Gala for free.

For more information contact the University's creative and performing arts department at 357-4522.

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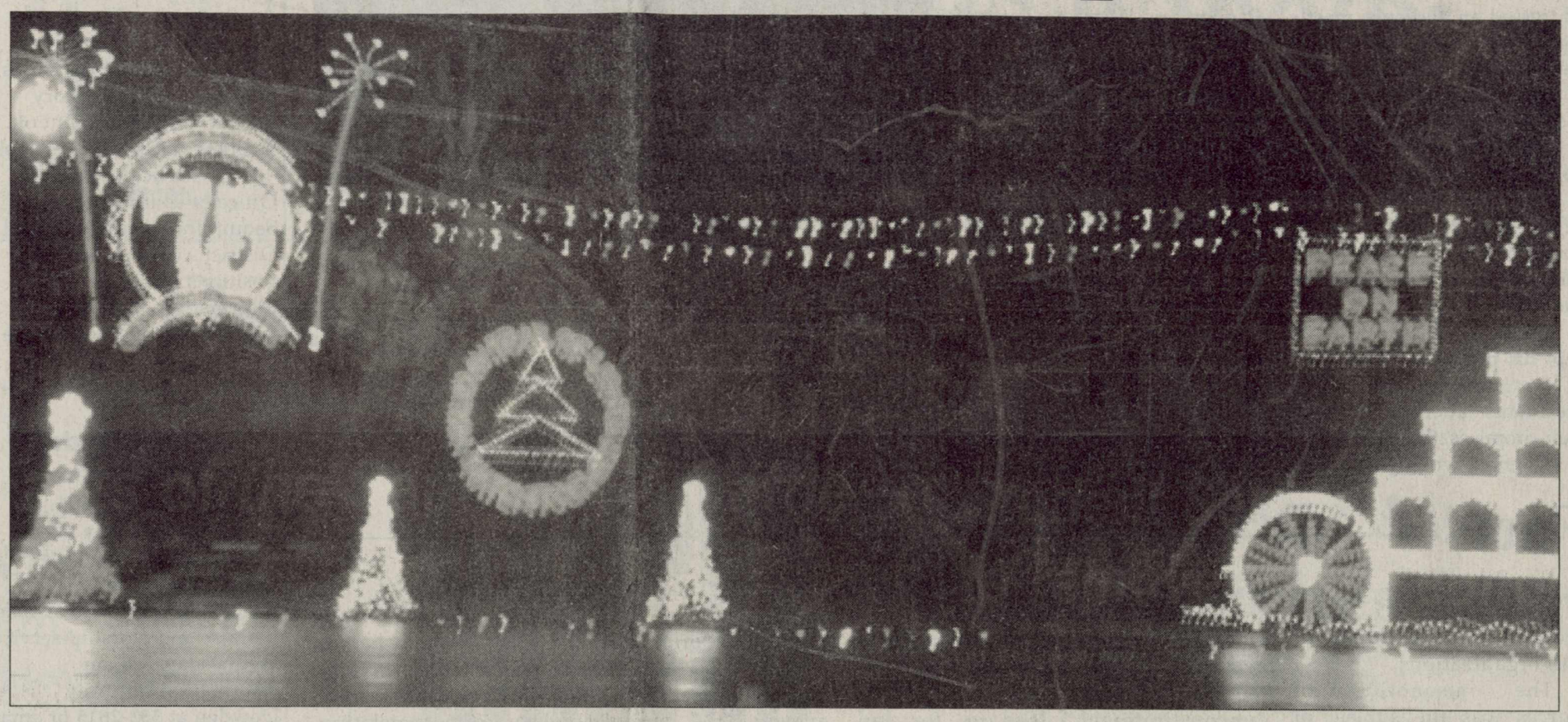


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The 2001 Natchitoches Christmas Festival marks the 75th time the 'City of Lights' has celebrated the illumination of Front Street during Christmas. The city is expecting well over 250,000 people for this year's festival. The Christmas Festival officially begins at 10 a.m. with the opening ceremony. The 75th Anniversary design is this year's newest set of lights.

'City of Lights' celebrates 75th Christmas Festival

By Garrett Guillotte
Sauce Reporter

This year marks the 75th anniversary of the annual Natchitoches Christmas Festival of Lights.

Started in 1927, the traditional lighting of Natchitoches' streets, bridges and buildings, as well as set pieces on the banks of the Cane River Lake, has endured as the city's most familiar tourist attraction.

A trip to the University archives sheds some light on the seasonal celebration. While the festival shares its name with the Jewish Chanukah season and started at a time when Louisiana's Jewish population was growing faster than ever before, many of the similarities between the two festivals are largely superficial.

The idea for the festival came to the then city superintendent of utilities Max Burgdorf in 1927. The festival's beginnings corresponded with the release of the small 10 watt Christmas lights. Local merchants paid for the lighting of Front Street and the bridge crossing the Cane River.

Burgdorf also built the original Star of the East set piece for the bank of the Cane, the first such piece to be used in the festivities. It was later replaced by the 21-foot star currently in use. Longtime chief electrician of Natchitoches Charles Solomon built many of the other set pieces.

The fireworks displays were started in 1936 by local businessmen Allen Cox and Sam West. The cost increased from $300 worth of fireworks fired from the south bank of the lake to this year's professionally operated shows fired simultaneously from both banks with a cost of nearly $10,000.

While this year's official Christmas festival opens Saturday, many events related to the season are already underway and stretch well into the new year, with the lights finally coming down January 8 (see sidebar).

Saturday's 75th Christmas Festival Festivities

7:30 a.m.
Centennial Wireless Christmas Festival 1-mile run
5K Santa Shuffle
9 a.m.
Opening ceremony
10 a.m.
Live entertainment begins on Fleur de Lis Stage
11:30 a.m.
Fleur de Lis Stage - Cox Family
1 p.m.
Christmas Festival Parade
4 p.m.
Fleur de Lis Stage - Grass Roots (60's and 70's Group)
6 p.m.
Fireworks over the Cane River Lake
6:30 p.m.
Fleur de Lis Stage - Louisiana Express

***Wristbands for the festival are being pre-sold $3 for adults and $1 for children ages 6 and 11. Wristbands for the day of the festival will be sold for $4 for adults and $1 for children. For more information got to www.christmasfestival.com or call (800) 259-1714.**

CENSORSHIP?

Facts of the Sauce/SGA battle

By Rob Morgan
Sauce Reporter

In lieu of the events that have been occurring between the Student Government Association and *The Current Sauce*, we at the paper have decided to inform the students on what is going on and why there have been so many articles covering this issue.

The trouble started when *Sauce* reporter Bess Renfrow missed two SGA meetings in consecutive weeks. The missing of these meetings can be traced back to miscommunication between *The Current Sauce* and the SGA.

Renfrow missed the first meeting because she showed up at 7:30 p.m on Monday instead of 7 p.m., the correct time. She missed the second meeting because it fell on the Labor Day holiday. It was rescheduled for that following Tuesday, but Renfrow said she was not contacted about the change.

The next problem was the publishing of 'The Story of Stool' in the Oct. 4 issue of the paper. This caused some SGA members and others to question the newsworthy of the material that the *Sauce* was running.

In response, the SGA allegedly drew up a bill to freeze *The Current Sauce*'s funding, according to Rondray Hill. He and other SGA members viewed the document, but after a Student Senate meeting it disappeared.

On Oct. 8, office hours were implemented for all the student media-KNWD, Potpourri, Argus, and *The Current Sauce*-in the bill (FA01-008) by the Student Senate on Oct. 18. The Student Senate set up hours for all the student media editors because they felt the editors should be held to the same standards as SGA executives.

The bill also highlighted certain points regarding media editors' qualifications, the responsibilities of media editors, and a set number of office hours for media editors. A section of the bill (4.5) dealt specifically with the responsibilities of *The Current Sauce* to include the SGA minutes. The issue has become the

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Student Senate votes to remove Sauce editor

By Bess Renfrow
Sauce Reporter

The University Student Senate voted to remove Rondray Hill from his position as editor-in-chief of *The Current Sauce* at their meeting on Monday. The basis for removal was violation of Article X, Section 4.5, which requires *The Current Sauce* to print the SGA minutes.

The Sept. 27, 2001 edition of *The Current Sauce* sparked the controversy of having Hill removed. The edition's feature front-page story was on the problems with human stool found in the showers of the Rapides residence hall. Many members of the SGA found this story distasteful.

Around this time a bill was formed stating that all reporters had to tape their interviews and keep those tapes in a public place for public viewing. This bill was passed by the senate, but was vetoed by the president of the Senate, Rusty Broussard.

After several weeks of discussion, *The Current Sauce* decided to no longer run the SGA minutes in the paper. When the *Sauce* did not run the SGA minutes, the Student Senate sent Hill a notice of intent of removal.

Because the *Sauce*'s decision not to run

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White House correspondent speaks to student body

By Kaleb Breaux
Managing Editor

The belief that former President Clinton was "the master of non-verbal communication" was one point made by Pulitzer Prize winning writer Carl Cannon during his speech yesterday. Cannon, who also believes President Bush lacks these skills, thinks that President Bush is personable President.

Cannon addressed the student body with a speech titled "Covering Presidents: Confessions of a White House Correspondent" in the television studio in Kyser Hall.

Cannon, a graduate of the University of Colorado with a degree in journalism, addressed an audience mostly comprised of journalism students. His speech was part of the journalism department's "Makers and Shakers" forum.

With wild references about politicians who were subjects of satire on NBC's *Saturday Night Live* to insightful of stories of former President Bill Clinton, Cannon captivated the audience.

"Issue after issue...Clinton kept his promises, or he tried to," Cannon said. "All Presidents attempt to keep their promises, they have to."

Cannon, who opted not to vote in the 1996 election in order to remain an objective reporter, spoke mostly on his correspondence for the White House and ended his speech with insightful words to journalism students who are looking to, one day, be reporters. He said there are three things that are important traits to journalists.

"He gave us a lot of ideas that we as journalism majors can handle ourselves in the journalism world as we graduate from college," Germel Rawlings, a junior journalism major, said. "He also had some interesting things to say about former President Clinton."

"The most important thing is a really good work ethic," Cannon said. "And the second thing is having life examples...And the third important thing is being fair-minded."

Cannon also described scenes from and around the White House during the terrorist attacks on Sept. 11. He spoke of secret service agents who were "scared" and "uncertain."

Cannon taught his audience lessons during his speech.

"If you are fair-minded, well rounded and have a hard work ethic you are going to come out ahead in our field," Adrienne Acosta, a senior journalism major, said.



Photo by Rob Morgan

Pulitzer Prize winning reporter Carl Cannon addressed the student body yesterday with a speech titled "Covering the Presidents: Confessions of a White House Correspondent. Cannon made comments about former Presidents such as Bill Clinton, Ronald Reagan and Jimmy Carter.

Cannon is currently a White House correspondent for the *National Journal*. He is also the president of White House Correspondents Association and the winner of Gerald R. Ford Award for distinguished reporting of the presidency.

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figurative battle grounds for both organizations.

The misquoting of sources was the subject of the next bill (FA01-014) brought up by the Student Senate in the Oct. 10, meeting. It was started by the alleged misquoting of an SGA Senator in the Oct. 4 issue of the paper.

The bill required all reporters to use tape recorders or notepads during interviews, and to keep them on record for one year to allow for public reference. The SGA Senators passed this bill, but Rusty Broussard, president of the SGA, vetoed it.

These events, coupled with Hill's belief that the printing of the SGA minutes in *The Current Sauce* is "unconstitutional," lead to his editorial in the Oct. 18 issue of the paper. In his editorial, Hill declared the minutes would no longer be printed in the *Sauce*. He placed a "moratorium" on letters concerning the on-going verbal fight between the SGA and *The Current Sauce* staff.

This action caused the Student Senate to begin the process of removing Hill from the position of editor. The SGA consulted the Media Board, a board made up of faculty members and students that offers recommendations to the SGA on matters of student media, for an answer to the constitutionality of the SGA minutes.

The Media Board's recommendation stated that the by-law (Art. 10, Sect. 4.5) in the SGA constitution requiring the printing of the SGA minutes was unconstitutional. From there, the SGA consulted the Student Supreme Court, and after one unsuccessful meeting. The Student Supreme Court returned a verdict that the by-law was constitutional.

This decision that was made on the Thursday before Thanksgiving break giving, the SGA the power they needed to form legislation for the release of Hill as editor. In the SGA Senate meeting on Monday, the SGA did just that, passing a bill in favor of Hill's dismissal.

Presently, the bill is on Broussard's desk. The passing of this bill depends on whether or not he chooses to sign it. If he does sign it the bill, it will proceed to the desk of President Randall Webb. Webb will have the final say on the fate of *The Current Sauce* and the SGA.

Student Senate

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the SGA minutes was in direct violation of Media Board by-laws, Broussard, who also serves as vice chair of the Media Board, requested that the Media Board convene to make a recommendation to the Student Senate as to the action they should take.

The Media Board recommended to the Student Senate that the article in question was unconstitutional. The Student Senate then notified the Supreme Court of the constitutionality issue and a date was set for a hearing. The Supreme Court decided on Nov. 15 that the article was constitutional, and therefore, the Student Senate had permission to continue with the process.

A two-thirds vote of the entire Senate membership was needed to remove Hill from his position. Twenty-three members of the Student Senate voted for the removal of Hill.

"I believe that the Senate's hand was forced in the matter," Dustin Floyd, Speaker of the Senates, said. "It states right here in our by-laws that we must remove him for failure to do that (print the minutes) so the Senate, I think, took that to heart and made the only decision they could make."

University student named 'Miss City of Lights'



Photo by Glenn Ward

Kimberly Jones will represent the 'City of Lights' as "Miss Merry Christmas" for the 2001-2002 year.

By Kira Gervais
Sauce Reporter

A University student was named "Miss City of Lights" in early October and will be participating in the Christmas Festival activities this weekend.

Kimberly Jones, a senior liberal arts major in the Scholar's College, can be seen riding in the Christmas Festival parade on Saturday as "Miss City of Lights." The "Miss City of Lights" pageant is a preliminary for the Miss Louisiana pageant.

As "Miss City of Lights," Jones will ride in the Christmas Festival parade and represent the city at receptions that will be held for the festival. She said the city of Natchitoches could call her at any time to represent the city at various activities.

Jones, who is from Spring, TX, and has been attending NSU since the fall of 1998. She has been on the Dean's List every semester that she has been at NSU. Jones is also involved in Sigma Alpha Iota music fraternity and the Catholic Student Organization. She also plays viola in the University orchestra, and she has been playing viola for twelve years.

This is not the first time she has been in a pageant.

"I was in the Miss Louisiana pageant last year," Jones said. "I was Miss Central Louisiana."

Jones's platform for the pageant was volunteering.

"I want to get people to actively volunteer and not just talk about volunteering," Jones said. "I want to focus my volunteer activities toward music because music is something that I know about."

Jones wants to encourage some of the organizations that she is involved into volunteer work.

"I am going to try to get Sigma Alpha Iota more involved in the community," she said.

Jones is also a part of a new organization on campus called American String Teachers Association. She hopes to do lots of volunteer work for the organization.

"We help with orchestra rehearsals in local schools, and we give lessons to students," Jones said.

Jones will be directing a musicale for Sigma Alpha Iota on Sunday. It will be at Theatre West at 3 p.m. The public is welcome to attend the musicale and see Jones doing what she loves to do.

Jones will be graduating in May, but she said she is not sure exactly what she will be doing after graduation. She said she probably wants to pursue a Master's degree in Arts Administration, but nothing is definite yet.

Campus Connections

ORGANIZATIONS

Office of Financial Aid

The Office of Financial Aid invites you to **"Shoot for Hoops"** for prizes and enter in the free giveaway on the 2nd floor of the Student Union on Wednesday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Relieve your stress during final exams and learn about debt management strategies that will save you from default.

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The following companies have sent correspondence to Counseling and Career Services informing us of current position openings: Bio-Analytical Laboratories, Doyline, LA - laboratory technician; Department of Social Services, Iberia Parish - social service specialist, Office of Child Services; Sequin Independent School District - various teaching positions. For more information on these or future openings stop by the CCS office in room 305 of the Student Union.

Catholic Student Organization

The **CSO** will be having weekly **Bible study** every Tuesday at 8 p.m. at the center. Everyone is welcome. There will also be a praise and worship service Wednesday. For any information call Amy Dowden at **352-2615** or email to amyburson@hotmail.com.

Baptist Collegiate Ministry

The **BCM** will have Wednesday night worship at the BCM, across the street from Watson Library, every Wednesday night. The worship begins at **8:31 p.m.** All students are welcome to attend. For more information call the BCM at 352-5464.

Circle K International

Circle K International invites you to it's meetings every Tuesday night at 8:30 p.m. in room 320 of the Student Union. For more information call Jessica at 357-5974.

Lady of the Bracelet

Any woman interested in being a participant in the **2002 Miss Lady of the Bracelet pageant** should go by room 214 of the Student Union to pick up a scholarship application.

Fellowship Christian Athletes

FCA will be having its weekly fellowship every Tuesday night. The meetings are held in the **athletic field house** on the south end of Turpin Stadium at 8 p.m. There will be a devotional speaker each week. Everyone is welcome to come and join us in praise.

Spanish Club

The Spanish Club would like to invite potential members to its weekly meetings, every Wednesday at 3 p.m. in room 331 of Kyser Hall.

Argus

The new editions of *Argus*, the NSU literary and art magazine, are ready and can be picked up for free in room **335 of Kyser hall.**

Registrars' Office

Early registration ends on Dec. 14.

SPORTS

NSU Club Soccer

NSU Club Soccer invites anyone who is interested in playing club soccer to their practices which are held behind Watson library at 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday and Sunday.

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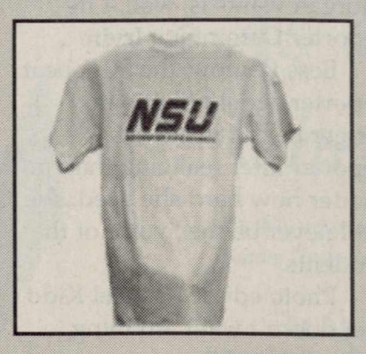
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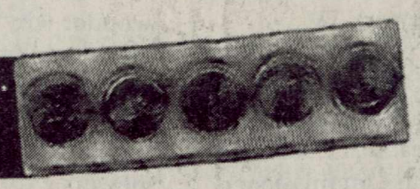
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Christmas festival from the eyes of a former student

J. Manny Guendulay
Column Writer

Here at Northwestern, we have a tradition that happens right before finals. To the outsiders, the city folk, and good-natured families who visit, it is the apex of the holiday's festivities; to the students of this university, it is the last real fling before the buckling down of finals, a day of debauchery and decadence. It is known as. . . Christmas Fest.



J. Manny Guendulay
Column Writer

I honestly do not recall a sober Christmas Fest, as I've always found myself with some sort of substance in my mind and body. In fact, I've always thought it was a requirement. I would always make my way through the day stumbling from private property to private property enjoying my visits with various friends. Always in my hand was an opaque container with some sort of eggnog from hell and my Santa Hat dangling from my head and stained from drooping into my drink several times.

My social circle was not the only one to celebrate this holiday in such a crazed fashion; in fact, it seems to be the way to celebrate the day by a nice majority of the attending student body. One can make their way throughout the Historical District going from party to party and celebrating the December goodness in rare form. Parties and drinking galore.

Perhaps this is why the entire Natchitoches Police Force and even the Louisiana National Guard will be on duty. I warn you, a drunk-tank will be enforced as it is illegal to drink in public places on Saturday. No one would want to spend his or her day of holiday mayhem sitting in some drained swimming pool, even though I've heard that can become a party of its own.

One can easily glide around without having to visit the tank and have a relatively good time; the secret, of course, is to try to act in a civilized manner, at least while in public.

I, unfortunately, have resigned from the holiday havoc and will have to retain some semblance of sobriety this year. I will become one of the wholesome people on the riverfront that will have to face the celebration without the help of too many toxins.

I fear that I will find out that this much holiday cheer requires heavy amount of liquor and I will envy all of those that are truly merry on Saturday.

Be careful, enjoy, and if you have a spare one, have a drink for me.

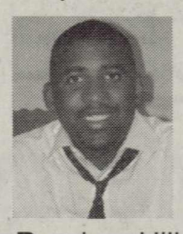
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Editor's Take

A letter to jolly old Santa, *Sauce* style

Dear Santa,

My name is Rondray Hill. I'm the Editor of the Current Sauce here at Northwestern State University.



Rondray Hill
Editor's Take

I know I'm a little old to be writing to you—I'm 21. But, I've been a good boy, so I hope you'll read this anyway.

The reason I'm writing you this letter is because I have it pretty good here at NSU. You see, Santa, I have a great job and great people surround me. I couldn't ask for a better staff than the one I have.

However, I think that they may be a little nervous about writing you a letter and telling you what they want for Christmas. So, I thought that instead of telling you what I want, I'd let you know what my staff wants to see under their Christmas tree.

So here's my list. No need to check it twice, my Copy Editors has already checked it for spelling errors.

First, Managing Editor Kaleb Breaux turns 21 today, so what he'll need is one nerdy freshman who wants to be cool to take his "magic fake I.D." off his hands. It worked for Kaleb. When he first got here, he was just some journalist nerd with a thing for soccer. Now he's the man.

What Life Editor Elona Boggs needs, more than anything else, is a puppy. That way, she can argue this puppy all day, all night and all morning long. The puppy won't say anything back, so now she can feel confident about winning at least one argument per day, thus no longer giving her the need to argue with me.

Opinions Editor Kristen Dauzat wants… "boys." Nothing else. Just "boys."

The only thing that Life section reporter Dominique Irvin wants is, well, News reporter Rob Morgan. The only thing News reporter Rob Morgan wants is, well, Life reporter Dominique Irvin.

Bess Renfow, the SGA beat reporter, would like to no longer be the SGA beat reporter after realizing that, no matter how hard she tried, she will never be the "voice of the students."

Photo editor Rachael Kidd just doesn't want anything that's "stupid."

Callie Rheames, who works the desk in the office of student publications, just wants someone to listen to her stories about the Rowing team. "You know, the one where, like, I woke up at 5 a.m, and it's cold outside, but I had to still had to get into the water, and let me tell you, that water's cold, but anyway, so like, I get up, and there's two guys waiting for us at the top of the hill, and, wait, here's where the story gets good… "

And finally, Toi and Lauren, the other two desk workers, want a diary. That way, Toi could write down every wisecrack about the clothes I may be wearing on a particular day, and Lauren could make evil gestures at Toi writing about my wardrobe in her new diary. I think that's everyone. If I forgot someone, Santa, you know who deserves what. That's all I have. Merry Christmas. And thanks, Santa.

Rondray Hill

Want to talk back to Rondray? Visit www.currentsauce.com and click on the "Talk Back to the Editor" link.

Letter to the editor

University Affairs plans campus improvements

John E. Winston
Vice President for University Affairs

Dear Students:

As a part of Northwestern's campus wide effort to improve its services to you, I join with the rest of the University community to increase significantly your level of satisfaction with the services we provide. Our services include custodial care, electrical, heating, air conditioning, and refrigeration repair; plumbing repair, street repair, construction and renovation as well as grounds up keep and litter control. We are also responsible for shipping and receiving and the entire physical inventory for our campuses. It is within this preview that we in University Affairs to serve you as courteously, promptly and effectively as we can.



John Winston
V.P. University Affairs

We want to provide you better service, but it not possible without your help. Therefore, I strongly encourage you to share with us your thoughts on how you feel we might serve you better.

Please know that we in University Affairs take our jobs seriously. We have pride in our department and in our work. We know that our only reason for being here is you. Therefore, we want your experience here to be both educational and fulfilling.

If you feel that I can be of service in any way within my sphere of influence, please do not hesitate to contact me.

About that underwear show

Knight Ridder/Tribune News Service

The following editorial appeared in the Chicago Tribune on November 24:

In the battle of the networks to compete with cable TV's edgy and uncensored fare, a recent special on ABC scored unexpected attention.

"The Victoria's Secret Fashion Show" opened more than a few eyelids when its televised lingerie exhibition uncovered body areas seldom seen on network TV.

It also prompted about 600 telephone calls and e-mails to the Federal Communications Commission, according to Commissioner Michael Copps.

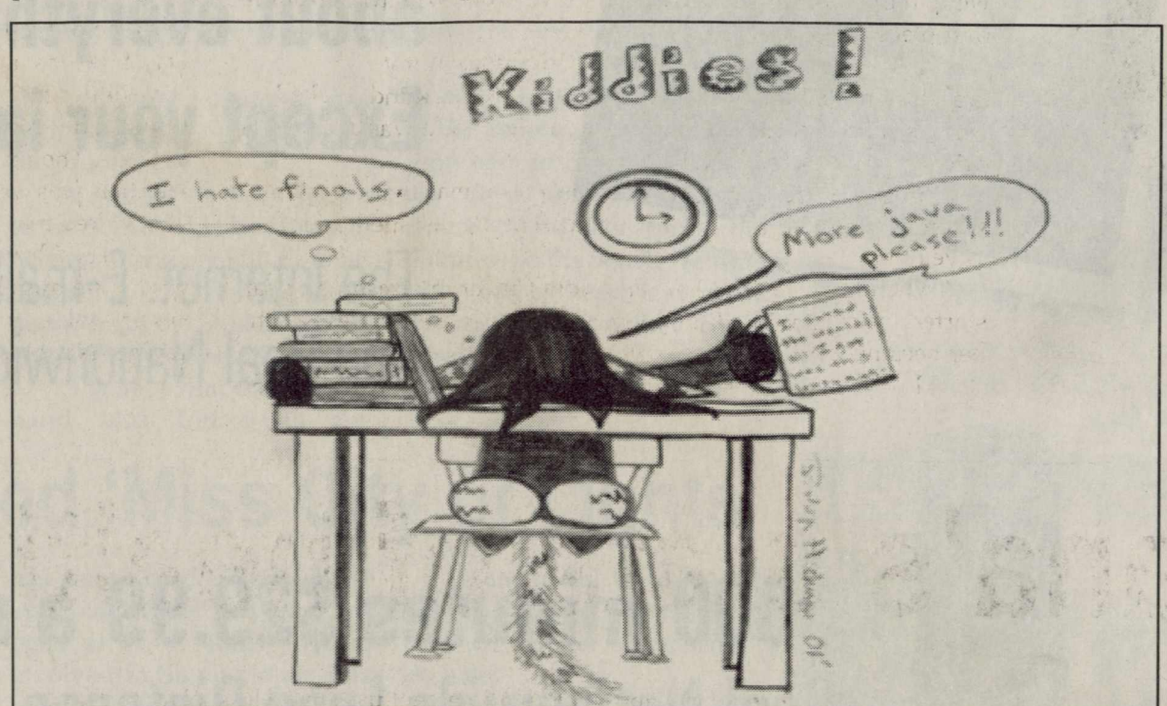
The program was rated "TV-14 D, S, L."

This program was essentially a 60-minute infomercial interrupted mostly by commercials for _ what else? _ Victoria's Secret lingerie.

ABC is fending off complaints while celebrating its biggest audience in the 9 p.m. Thursday time period so far this season 12.4 million viewers. But then, what were the other network choices during that time slot? You could turn to CBS' "CSI," which won its biggest audience ever with a story line about S&M sex.

And network executives wonder why they are losing viewers to cable and other media.

The answer's no secret. For years they have insulted viewers with unimaginative junk, and their only answer now is to copy the prurient material coming from their upstart competitors.





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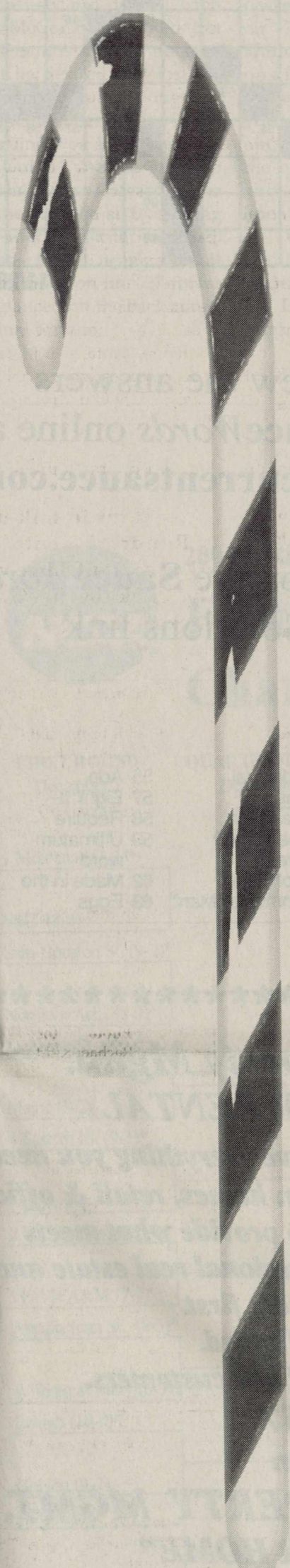
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In Perspective

A Christmas Story

As a gift to you, here are some memorable Christmas stories, as shared by the staff of The Current Sauce.

Merry Christmas



By Dominique Irvin
Sauce Reporter

The Christmas moment that I remember most was the first time I saw real snow.

It was in the late 80s, either 1988 or 1989, and it snowed in New Orleans. It never really snows in New Orleans. We usually get little flurries, but mostly sleet. This was *real* snow.

The weather forecast said that it might snow, and I really hoped that it would. My mom and my aunt told me stories about playing in the snow when they lived in St. Louis. I wanted to play in the snow too.

I remember waking up one morning, and standing on the edge of my cousins bed as I looked out of the window. There it was - snow. Okay, so it wasn't a lot of snow, maybe an inch or two. It hardly covered the ground, but I didn't care. I started yelling and jumping around trying to wake everybody up. At first, no one believed me. My cousin told me I was making it up, and rolled over in bed. How do you make up snow? It was *there*.

Eventually I'd yelled enough to wake people up, and we all stood in the doorway and watched the snow. My cousins and I got dressed and went out to play in the snow for the first and last time, since it hasn't snowed since. The fact that you had to walk half a block with your hand on the ground to collect enough snow for a snowball didn't matter. It was a fun time and an unusual thing and I will always remember that moment.

By Garrett Guilliotte
Sauce Reporter

I don't have many great memories of Christmas. It's always been a lonely time for me with some of the worst parts of my life having happened around it.

Santa didn't help much – I was clued in on the whole faked business before I broke third grade after secretly watching my parents do his job one year. Hell, the closest I've ever come to seeing a White Christmas was a quarter-inch of sno-cone-quality slush on spots of my backyard a week after the fact, and I didn't even bother to go through the back door to play in it because I thought it was too cold.

But my last Christmas was both the worst and the best. After a fight with my father about moving my things from the dorm to go home I emotionally bottomed out. I felt completely worthless, ready to quit everything and give up. But my friends – friends I never would have had if I hadn't come here, to Northwestern – helped me realize how much I meant to other people when I felt nobody cared.

I know it's about as sappy a story as any Christmastime special you'll see on TV. But for anyone who's feeling hollow or abandoned, worthless or alone, take a moment first to find the people that you mean a lot to.

Worry less about what the people around you think, no matter how close you feel they are to you, and look at yourself and what you've accomplished. And least of all, don't be afraid to ask for help, because you're neither the first to feel that way nor the only person to feel it now.

But to be here at college means that you've made it from your childhood to an adult independence, and that you're on your way to a more enriched and fortunate life than most people. You're a student, a Demon, maybe a greek, maybe an athlete – oh, sure, maybe even in the SGA – but at least while you're here, but you're also becoming to be a better person.

By Elona Boggs
Life Editor

The Christmas of my senior year in high school, I was playing in a basketball tournament hours away from home. We were in the tournament's finals, and were one win away from the first place title.

That same weekend was when Christmas at my grandmother's house was to take place. This in mind, I faked being sick, so I could go to my grandmother's. It was a small price to pay to see my Nanny.

I'm glad I did that. It was the last Christmas that we spent where Nanny was healthy, and it's one of the last memories I have of her.

When my grandmother died from cancer my freshman year, I started looking at life differently. Spending those last days with her became a priority, above all else.

I loved spending time with her. She had a way with kids. She read my sisters and I fairy tales, and let us root around her house for old junk. She made sugar cookies that no one could replicate.

Nanny loved all holidays, not only Christmas. She was the kind of grandma who sent cards for every holiday – big Valentine and Halloween cards with ribbons and glitter. I've saved every one.

One of the last times I spent with Nanny was on Mother's Day. She was in the nursing home at the time. She spent her last days either there or in the hospital. On this day, my sisters and I brought her roses. We sat them where she could see them from her bed. The nurse's aide had helped her into a flowery dress. Her hair was fixed and she had a pink corsage on her shoulder. She looked real pretty.

Every Christmas since she's died, I've put Poinsettias on her grave. We miss her a lot. I've made a few failed attempts at her sugar cookies for our Christmas gatherings, but no one can replace Nanny's.

Louisiana's state of health questioned

By **Tara Gallien**
Health Columnist

Cardiovascular disease, cancer, and diabetes account for almost 70 percent of all deaths among Americans. The roots of chronic diseases are grounded in a limited number of health-damaging behaviors practiced by people every day for much of their lives. These behaviors, which include tobacco use, lack of physical activity, and unhealthy diet, are usually established during youth. And as many of us know, once poor health habits are adopted, they are difficult to change.

Recently Louisiana was ranked as the second unhealthiest state in the nation; Mississippi ranked first. Although disappointing, it's understandable why Louisiana ranked so poorly when the four risk factors leading to these diseases are examined.

Risk Factors #1: Tobacco Use

Nearly 1/2 of all heart attacks and 2/3 of lung cancer deaths would be eliminated if people chose not to smoke. A person dies every 33 seconds from a heart attack. Imagine the lives that could be saved if young people decided to never begin smoking and smokers quit.

In Louisiana, approximately a quarter of adults smoke. This number is even higher when adolescents are included. Approximately 16 percent of high school students smoke regularly and another 15 percent use smokeless tobacco. Three thousand adolescents become regular smokers every day in the U.S. Efforts to reduce or eliminate smoking in Louisiana are absolutely essential to improve our state's overall health.

Risk Factor #2: Lack of Physical Activity

Despite its known health benefits, most Americans do not engage in regular physical activity. Inactivity is linked to all leading causes of death, as well as to obesity.

Almost 86 percent of adults living in Louisiana do not participate in "regular & sustained physical activity". Moreover, nearly 79 percent of high school students do not engage in moderate intensity physical activity. These statistics are alarming and are among the highest inactivity rates in the country.

Risk Factor #3: Unhealthy Diet

Scientific evidence suggests that about 1/3 of cancer deaths that occur each year in the U.S. can be attributed to nutritional factors. The average American diet is 34 percent fat and contains little or no fruits and vegetables; only 24 percent of adults eat five or more fruits and vegetables a day.

The percentage of adults in Louisiana who eat five or more fruits and vegetables a day is 17.3 percent. The same is true for adolescents living in Louisiana; only 17.1 percent eat the recommended number of servings of fruits and vegetables. Proper nutrition is vital to overall health. Diets high in fat and low in fruits and vegetables, along with "super-size" servings contributes significantly to obesity, plaque in the arteries, and to a weakened immune system.

Risk Factor #4: Obesity

Twenty percent of Americans are obese and another 37 percent are overweight. In 1995, obesity was responsible for approximately $70 billion in direct medical costs. Obesity increases the risk of cancers of the breast, cervix, endometrium, uterus, ovary, and gallbladder among women and cancers of the colon and prostrate among men. Obesity is also considered a major contributor to adult-onset diabetes, as well as to heart disease.

Nearly 23 percent of adults in Louisiana are obese and 36 percent are overweight. One in five children in the U.S. are obese and one in three are obese in Louisiana. In most cases, obese children will become obese adults. Sadly Louisiana is among the top five states with the highest rates for obesity in country.

The Good News!

All of these risk factors are controllable and changeable. Children need to be taught early in their development about good health, as well as given the opportunity to engage in regular physical activity at school. Parents, schools, and communities need to come together to improve the health of our state. What role will you take in helping Louisiana become a healthier place to live?

NSU Chamber Choir to perform next week

The Northwestern Chamber Choir will present its annual Candlelight Service of Lessons and Carols Monday Dec. 3, at 7:30 p.m., at St. Francis Cabrini Church in Alexandria and Tuesday, Dec. 4 at 7:30 p.m., at Immaculate Conception Church in Natchitoches. Admission is free and open to the public.

During the Alexandria service, Northwestern's Choir will be joined by the Pineville High School Choir. Accompaniment for the service will be provided by Dr. Mary DeVille, music director at St. Francis Cabrini and Northwestern senior Corey Candler.

Burt Allen will direct the Northwestern choir. The Pineville High choir will be directed by Brenda Rudd.

This is the 11th consecutive year in which the NSU choir has presented this service. In 1991, the service was first held at St. Francis Xavier Cathedral and alternated between Alexandria and Natchitoches for eight years. Since 1999, the choir has presented the program at both St. Francis Cabrini Church and Immaculate Conception Church in Natchitoches. This marks the first appearance of the Pineville High School Chamber Choir in this program. They will perform alone on some selections and join the NSU choir on several numbers.

According to Allen, the Lessons and Carols Service is based upon the century-old tradition established at Kings College, Cambridge, England, where it is performed every Christmas Eve to standing room only crowds and broadcast worldwide. It consists of nine lessons, readings for both the Old and New Testament of the Bible, all related to the Advent and birth of Christ. Each Lesson is followed by the choir singing one or more carols whose text relates to each of the readings. During the carols, altar servers light a variety of candles which remain lit throughout the service. Gradually, the church is transformed from darkness into light as the service concludes in a festive recessional.

Piano lessons being offered in NSU course

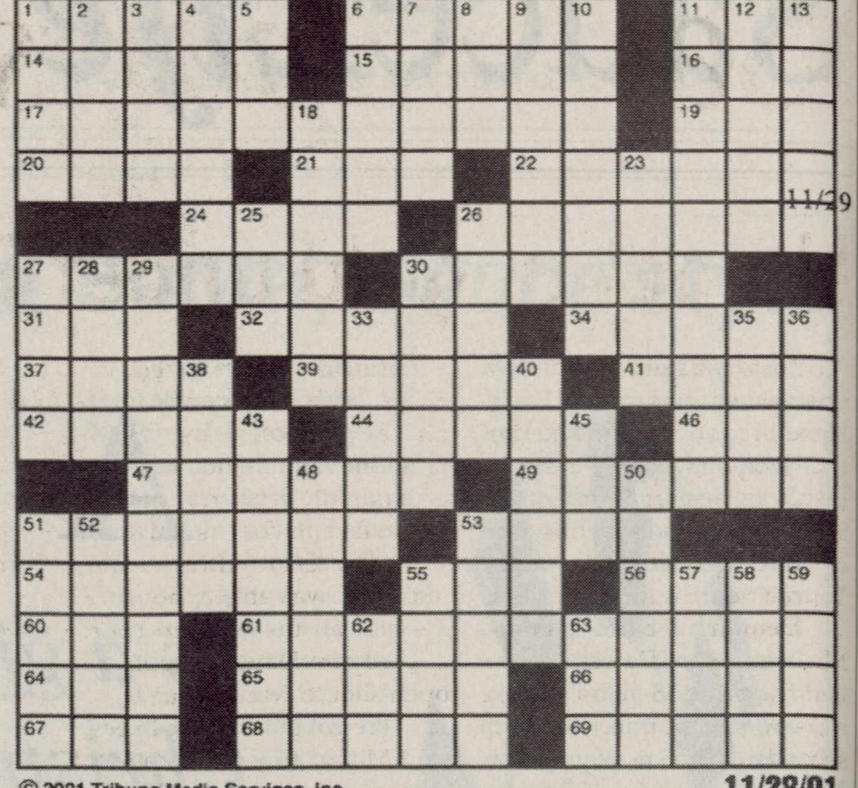
Learning to play the piano could be easier than you think. Northwestern State University's Office of Continuing Education will offer a non-credit course, "Instant Piano for Hopelessly Busy People," on Dec. 4.

The class will be held in Room 228 of the Old Wing of the A.A. Fredericks Center for Creative and Performing Arts from 6 p.m. until 9:30 p.m. The fee for the class is $49, plus a $20 material fee. David Haynes is the instructor.

Topics to be covered include: How chords work in music, musician's shortcuts, how to speed read sheet music, how to derive major, minor and seventh cords, how to handle different keys and time signatures, simple techniques of counting and how to substitute for 12,000 complex chords.

For more information on the class, contact Northwestern's Office of Continuing Education at (318) 357-5682.

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No pot o' gold under Rainbows, Demons fall to Hawaii 60-58

Northwestern State got the last-second look Coach Mike McConathy wanted, but the Demons didn't get the result he desired and lost 60-58 to Hawaii Tuesday night in a matchup of 2001 NCAA Tournament basketball teams.

Demon senior guard Michael Byars-Dawson, who tied the game 58-all by sinking a 24-foot 3-pointer with 20 seconds to go, nearly won it with a dead on-line 27-footer that glanced off the back rim at the final buzzer.

Hawaii got the decisive basket with 4.4 seconds to go on a 12-footer by Haim Shimonovich, who had 16 points, 12 rebound and 5 blocked shots for the Rainbow Warriors (5-1). After a time out, NSU was able to advance the ball all the way up court and Byars-Dawson got an open shot to win the game.

"We got the shot we liked," said McConathy. "You have to understand, 4.4 seconds is a lot longer than you might think, and we were able to work Michael free for a great chance to win the game on the road against a top 100 basketball program, one that was in the NCAA Tournament and won the Western Athletic Conference Tournament last year. I'm not into moral victories, but I am into good execution, and that's what we had. The shot just didn't drop."

Northwestern (2-4) capped a six-game, 13-day road trip through Fort Worth, Memphis, Las Vegas and Honolulu. The Demons return home Wednesday night and play Sunday afternoon at 4:30 at LSU.

Byars-Dawson led NSU with 17 points, including 4 of 6 on 3-pointers. Chris Lynch added 12 points as the Demons sank only 30 percent of their shots after halftime and 33 percent in the game, compared to 41 percent for Hawaii, which got 19 points and 8 rebounds by Carl English and 14 points from Mike McIntyre.

Northwestern led nearly the entire first half but Hawaii moved ahead in the final three minutes, going up 35-29 at the break. The margin got as big as 14 points with 8:46 to go before the Demons began drawing closer. NSU outscored Hawaii 17-6 down the stretch before the Rainbow Warriors got the game-winning basket in the final seconds.

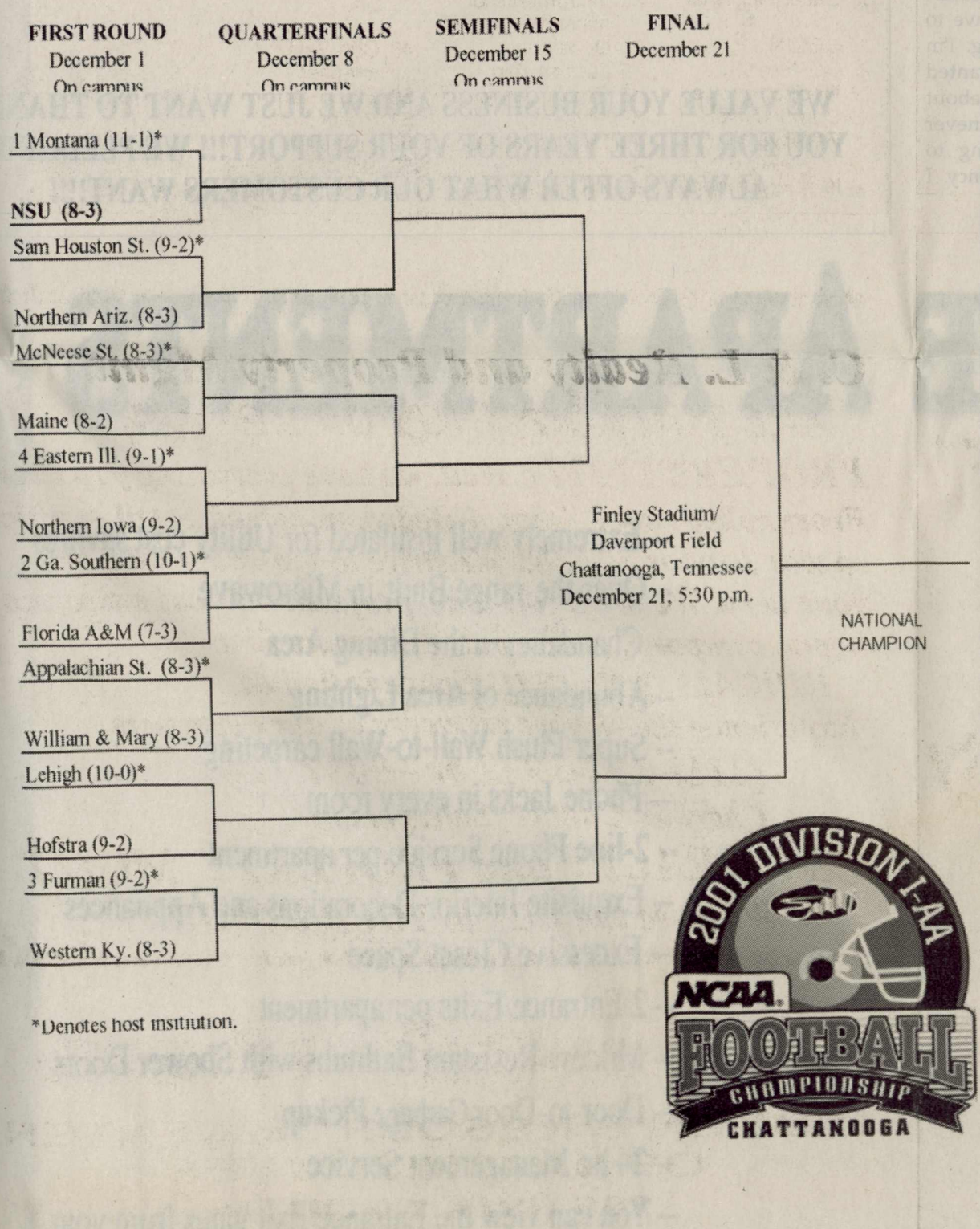
Hawaii outrebounded Northwestern 37-35. The Demons got 9 rebounds and 5 blocked shots from 6-11 sophomore D'or Fischer, but only 4 points. NSU stayed close with 9 for 17 aim on 3-pointers and 11-15 shooting on free throws, while making only 15 turnovers, a season low.

"We came to win, and we didn't," said McConathy. "But we took another step forward tonight. We have some competitors and once we start playing better basketball, we'll win this kind of game against some quality opponents."

Playoff Fever at NSU

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Advice from Demon Soccer players to football players; dress warm in Montana

NSU Demons (8-3) vs. Montana Grizzlies (11-1)

Game Time: 1:05

Where: Washington-Grizzly Stadium 18,545

Series: First meeting between two schools

Radio: 97.3 FM KLITE Announcers Lyn Rollins, Britt Brittain, Buddy Wood

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Rondray Hill
Editor

The weather forecast for Missoula, Mont., on Saturday looks like this. High temperatures will struggle to get out above 35 degrees with snow showers expected throughout the day.

Chilly. Cold. Its going to be a bad day for any visitor from anyplace South of, let's say, Montana.

If any of the Demon football team players want sympathy in their trip to the nation's ice box, they may be in luck, thanks to the members of the Soccer team.

Last season, the Demons' reward for winning both the Southland conference regular season and tournament championships was a first-round play-in game against the Montana Grizzlies.

In Montana.

In November.

When it's cold and snowy.

"I never drank coffee before we went up there last year," said senior Missy Payne. "But there I was, sipping on a cappuccino, trying to keep warm."

The Montana Grizzlies soccer team took full advantage of the home-field support, defeating the Demons 6-1 and going on to the NCAA Soccer tournament.

The Demon football team faces a similar task this Saturday-- survive the fans and the weather.

Montana has a reputation as being one of the hardest places to play a football game, thanks to its cold weather, high altitude, and rowdy fans.

All true, says soccer player Tennille Fogel.

"I'll say the fans at our game, they were very supportive of their team," Fogel said in a tongue-in-cheek manner. "That's putting it in a nice way."

"It was cold and snowy there," Fogel added. "And when we went, it was the beginning of November . Now, it's the end of the month, so I'm sure it will be even colder."

Soccer player Hillarie Marshall vividly remembers the Montana fan support, and warns the football team to be prepared.

"When we were there, those fans taunted us. There will be a lot of fans there. They need to be ready for that"

But the soccer players also want the football players to have fun while up there in Big Sky country.

"We went to the Idaho border and went hiking," Fogel said. "We saw a Ram and some Hawks in the forest. The pine forests and mountains with snow on them where beautiful."

Nall leads list of 15 Demon players on all-Southland team list

Northwestern State quarterback Craig Nall, who set the school single-season passing record in only nine games this season after transferring from LSU, heads 15 Demons selected to the 2001 All-Southland Football League team announced Wednesday.

Nall was voted "Newcomer of the Year" in the conference by the league coaches who selected the All-SFL team. The Demons, 8-3, are among three Southland teams in the national Division I-AA playoffs beginning Saturday as NSU visits 11-1 Montana for a 1:05 p.m. CST regionally-televised game.

League co-champion Sam Houston State had six first-team selections, tops among the seven conference members, followed by Northwestern with five first-team picks: senior tailback Jeremy Lofton, senior offensive tackle Gene Tennison, junior defensive end Ahmad Willis, and junior Terrence McGee at cornerback and return specialist.

Demons selected for the All-SFL second team were senior receiver Nathan Black, senior offensive guard Ryan Sweezy, junior linebacker Kurt Rodriguez, senior cornerback Kendrick Llorens and senior safety Judith Sylvester.

Nall headed the honorable mention choices from Northwestern, along with senior receiver Bernard Green, junior defensive end Roy Locks, junior linebacker Germond Williams and redshirt freshman fullback Demoine Clark.

Sam Houston quarterback Josh McCown was voted "Player of the Year" and won first-team All-SFL honors, while Stephen F. Austin quarterback Wes Pate was named "Offensive Player of the Year" and took second-team All-SFL honors. Pate led the conference with a 263-yard passing average, while McCown has thrown for 2,884 yards and 29 touchdowns, the second-highest TD total in conference history.

Nall, despite missing two midseason games with a sprained knee, has thrown for 2,022 yards and 11 touchdowns while being intercepted only three times, all on deflected passes, in 250 attempts. The Alexandria Senior High product has completed 57 percent of his passes and posted three of the top nine single-game passing yardage totals in Demon history, topped by a 346-yard outing in the season-opening 30-21 win at Southern.

McNeese safety Joe Judge won "Defensive Player of the Year" honors after making 73 tackles and sharing the SFL lead with Sylvester with 11 pass breakups. Sam Houston's Ron Randleman was voted "Coach of the Year" and Nicholls State defensive back and kick returner LeJuan walker was named "Freshman of the Year."

Lofton, a Shreveport-Captain Shreve product, has scored 15 touchdowns, one shy of the Demon single-season record, while averaging 107 all-purpose yards per game, including 85 yards rushing.

National Sports

Hurricanes Coach Coker defends his team's play in final moments of Washington game

By Susan Miller Degnan
Knight Ridder Newspapers

It's fourth-and-5 with five minutes left in the final quarter. Up 58-7, you're 13 yards away from a touchdown. Do you:

A. Run.
B. Pass.
C. Attempt a field goal.
D. Take a knee.
E. Pooch punt.

In that situation during the University of Miami's home victory Saturday against Washington, second-team quarterback Derrick Crudup completed the first touchdown pass of his college career to end the scoring at 65-7 and send some Husky administrators home in a huff.

What's a coach to do?

``That's a good question. I don't know what the best coaching etiquette is,'' Larry Coker said Tuesday. ``Honestly, I'd rather be on our side of the ball than coach Rick Neuheisel's. But nobody is totally happy in that situation, because you don't want to humiliate anybody.

``Had we had Ken Dorsey and starters in and top receiver Andre Johnson in, throwing passes to get Ken Dorsey meaningless stats, trying to get him an award, to me that's running up the score. I don't feel badly about what we did. I think we did the right thing, and I think Rick knows that.''

Virginia Tech coach Frank Beamer said he agreed with Coker's strategy. The top-ranked Hurricanes (10-0, 6-0 Big East) will travel to Blacksburg, Va., to play the 14th-ranked Hokies (8-2, 4-2) at 1 p.m. Saturday.

``It's a great situation to be in from a coach's standpoint,'' said Beamer, whose Hokies are 13-{-point underdogs at Lane Stadium. ``You have second-team guys in there, and you let them play the game. The second quarterback is not going to get better if he's not throwing the football and if you don't play it like you would normally play it. I don't see a problem there.''

The Canes had the ball on fourth down three times in the final quarter. The first time, one yard from the end zone, freshman Frank Gore rushed for the touchdown to make it 58-7. The second time, 15 yards out, Crudup was sacked for a five-yard loss. The third time, Crudup delivered the 13-yard score to Jason Geathers.

``It felt like so much of my hard work paid off,'' said Crudup, a redshirt freshman who is 10 of 22 for 100 yards, one touchdown and no interceptions in eight games. ``Coach Coker really wanted me to get experience in a game without changing the offense, just in case Dorsey ever goes down.''

Second-team center Joel Rodriguez, another redshirt freshman, said, ``You have to understand, we're young. I'm sure coach Coker wanted Derrick to feel good about himself because you never know when we're going to need him in an emergency. I was proud.''

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Life

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The Demons return home from play...err...work in Hawaii. *Page 7*



Demon Senior Michael Byars-Dawson

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Sauce Briefs

Three American soldiers killed by "friendly fire"

By Scott Canon, Lauren Markoe and Martin Merzer
Knight Ridder Newspapers

Three American soldiers were killed and 19 others wounded by "friendly fire" Wednesday, and U.S. officials warned that the casualty toll could rise as the hunt for Osama bin Laden moves deeper into the perilous mountains of Afghanistan.

"It's no longer a game," Marine Capt. Stewart Upton said after a 2,000-pound bomb dropped by a U.S. warplane fell within 100 yards of the soldiers' position near the last Taliban bastion of Kandahar. "It's life and death."

It was America's most costly day of combat yet in Afghanistan, and it came as U.S. forces supported thousands of Afghans in a narrowing search for bin Laden and other hard-core terrorist and Taliban holdouts.

President Bush said he regretted the loss of life, but the U.S. soldiers "died for a noble and just cause."

SGA president Broussard speaks about SGA/*Sauce* issue

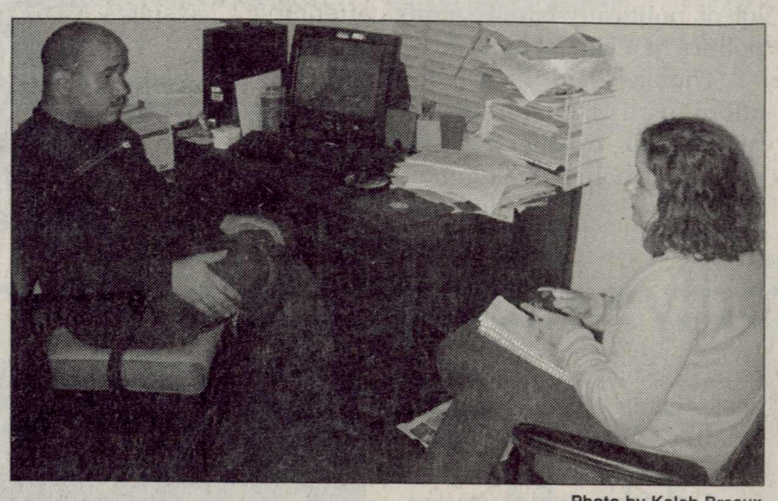


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SGA president, Rusty Broussard, (left) and *Sauce* reporter Bess Renfrow (right) spoke in the SGA office Tuesday about *The Current Sauce*/SGA issues.

By Bess Renfrow
Sauce Reporter

For several months now, the issue of whether or not it is constitutional to require *The Current Sauce* to print the minutes of the Student Government Association meetings and, if constitutional, what to do about the editor-in-chief of *The Current Sauce*, Rondray Hill has been a major focus of the paper.

When the Senate voted to remove Hill from his position as editor-in-chief the issue became the responsibility of Rusty Broussard, President of the SGA.

Broussard, who said he has always valued the relationship the SGA had with *The Current Sauce* in the past, feels that this issue has caused some damage to the relationship shared by these two organizations.

"I think it has hindered it, but both organizations need to step back," Broussard said. "Basically it's down to a personal level. We need to get away from that and work toward the common goal of informing the students."

Although Broussard heads the SGA, he said does not always agree with their actions. In the Oct. 10 Senate meeting, the Senate passed Bill FA01-014 requiring all reporters to record interviews and to have these tapes made accessible to the public. When the bill got to Broussard, however, he vetoed it because it was unrealistic.

"Basically, I did my investigation," he said. "I talked with Dr. Horton and Dr. Webb. It seemed that, even if a student would want to go and try to get these tapes, they would have to get a subpoena from the court. It (the process) was just really drawn out."

Because Broussard is required to be a member of the Media Board, he has been put in an awkward situation in regards to this issue. When the Media Board met to discuss the issue they voted on several different aspects of the issue.

Afterwards, they made several different recommendations to the Senate. Although he abstained from voting at the Media Board meeting, he feels their decision was made with a lot of thought and research.

"I don't think their decision was hasty at all," he said. "We got some background on it...both sides were there and represented. Just like any decision that the Media Board has made, a lot of thought went into it."

Although the issue does seem to be coming to a close, the end is yet to be determined. Broussard believes that there should be an end to it all because there are other issues to be dealt with.

"I am very hopeful that this is coming to an end because in the spring we're going to be doing a lot with student government," he said. "I'm sure that *The Current Sauce* has other student issues that it'd like to pursue. So, hopefully we can come together in the spring and inform the students the best way that we can."

Cane River Bridge Is Falling Down, Falling Down, Falling Down,

An in-depth look at a historic tragedy



Illustration by Rachael Kidd

The Cane River Bridge, i.e. Clayton speaks his mind to *Current Sauce* reporter Rob Morgan.

By Rob Morgan
Sauce Reporter

For the first time in a decade, the Cane Rive Bridge is not decorated with the festive Christmas lights adorning the rest of Natchitoches. The reason for this structural- bias is the bridge is no longer considered by the Department of Transportation and Development to be stable for the everyday traffic use.

A bridge that has been in use since the 60's, the Cane River Bridge has probably seen a lot change through its stationary plot linking one side of the town to the other. But what has this once noble bridge seen and how does it feel to be discarded like an insignificant piece of scrap.

It is around 3 a.m. on a Monday morning. The bridge, Clayton, enjoys this time of the day because he has time to reflect and take stock of his blessings. He seemed very calm during our interview, but I could tell that in the back of his mind his inevitable destruction loomed:

RM: First off, the name Clayton, how did you come by this name?

CL: It

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FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE - FALL 2001 SEMESTER

END: 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, December 12, 2001
GRADES DUE FOR CANDIDATES: Friday, December 7, 2001 (4 p.m.)
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2 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.	2 p.m. TR Classes
5:30 a.m. - 8 p.m.	3:30 p.m. TR Classes
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Wednesday, December 12, 2001

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University administrators put pressure on students who use file-sharing programs

By Garrett Guillotte
Sauce Reporter

Northwestern State University network administrators have implemented new tools and tactics to prevent the abuse of computer file sharing programs on computers connected to the university's high-speed Internet connection.

An e-mail dated Nov. 26 from NSU network administrator Tracy Brown to students and faculty said use of the file sharing programs, also known as peer-to-peer network applications, on the University network violates university data policies by slowing down the campus' Internet access. Violating users' network connections may be terminated.

Illegally downloading copyright materials and using University computing facilities for recreational purposes are also violations of the student Access to Information and Computer Agreement, which all students, faculty and staff sign to receive University network accounts. The agreement said violating any of its rules might result in undefined punitive action.

Specifically noted in the e-mail were file sharing programs KaZaA, Aimster and LimeWire. Similar applications include Morpheus, Grokster, other Gnutella clients and the suspended Napster.

Brown said the filter's primary purpose is to identify systems abusing university bandwidth, which is the campus's ability to download data from the Net as quickly as possible. Brown said being able to track and cut off the Internet access of computers running file sharing software would improve the performance of NSU's on-line academic applications, such as the distance learning software Blackboard.



Photo by Kaleb Breaux

University students Lauren Canal (foreground) and Laurie Piccolo (background) look at a web site that promotes peer to peer file sharing. University administrators are attempting to stop the file transfers on the University campus.

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Campus Connections

ORGANIZATIONS

Counseling and Career Services

The following companies have sent correspondence to Counseling and Career Services informing us of current position openings: National Science Foundation, Arlington, VA-program and technology analyst; Macomb Community College, Michigan-director of community education; Cahill Rose, New Orleans/Baton Rouge-maintenance engineer, production assistant, thermoformer supervisor, senior purchasing agent; City of New Iberia-area supervisor; KALB-TV, Alexandria-account executive, maintenance technician weekend meteorologist. For more information on these or future openings stop by the CCS office in room 305 of the Student Union.

Catholic Student Organization

The **CSO** will be having weekly **Bible study** every Tuesday at 8 p.m. at the center. Everyone is welcome. There will also be a praise and worship service Wednesday. For any information call Amy Dowden at **352-2615** or email to amyburson@hotmail.com.

Baptist Collegiate Ministry

The **BCM** will have Wednesday night worship at the BCM, across the street from Watson Library, every Wednesday night. The worship begins at **8:31 p.m.** All students are welcome to attend. For more information call the BCM at 352-5464.

Circle K International

Circle K International invites you to it's meetings every Tuesday night at 8:30 p.m. in room 320 of the Student Union. For more information call Jessica at 357-5974.

Lady of the Bracelet

Any woman interested in being a participant in the **2002 Miss Lady of the Bracelet pageant** should go by room 214 of the Student Union to pick up a scholarship application.

Fellowship Christian Athletes

FCA will be having its weekly fellowship every Tuesday night. The meetings are held in the **athletic field house** on the south end of Turpin Stadium at 8 p.m. There will be a devotional speaker each week. Everyone is welcome to come and join us in praise.

Spanish Club

The Spanish Club would like to invite potential members to its weekly meetings, every Wednesday at 3 p.m. in room 331 of Kyser Hall.

Argus

The new editions of *Argus*, the NSU literary and art magazine, are ready and can be picked up for free in room **335 of Kyser hall.** The deadline for submission to the *Argus*, will be January 14, 2002. Submissions can be dropped off in room 316 G or in room 318 of Kyser Hall, or emailed to argus@nsula.edu. Students should include contact information with their submissions. **Remember all submissions will be eligible for cash prizes.**

Registrars' Office

Early registration ends on **Dec. 14.**

The Current Sauce

The staff of *The Current Sauce* would like to wish the students and faculty of Northwestern State University a very **Merry Christmas** and a safe and jolly **New Year**. Don't forget to look at our web page at www.currentsauce.com for updates and the answers to

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the crossword puzzle.

NSU Club Soccer

NSU Club Soccer invites anyone who is interested in playing club soccer to their practices which are held behind Watson library at 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday and Sunday.

***To see your Campus Connections in next week's edition of The Current Sauce, drop off your information in the Campus Connection box in room 225**

File sharing programs

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"Primarily, we're looking at computers connected on campus that are downloading," Brown said. "We have not been pressured on dial-up accounts." Brown did not rule out, however, that bandwidth usage in dial-up accounts might be monitored in the future.

Brown also said that copyright holders have previously asked NSU to restrict file sharing to certain systems.

"Most of the time it's copyrighted material that's downloaded," Brown said. "The University can still be held liable."

NSU sophomore anthropology major Zack Thomas said file-sharing technology has had a positive influence on both his and his classmates' experiences at Northwestern State - even though Thomas himself does not own a computer or use file sharing software himself.

"People download files for me to share with those that I share computers with," Thomas said, adding that the files usually include copyrighted material. "It's a lot of politically-based satire, politics in a palatable form."

Thomas said he cannot afford to buy the political and intellectual media that he enjoys, echoing a common complaint with University students.

"I gave all of my money to NSU," Thomas said.

Brown said that some faculty, staff, departmental lab and University lab computers have already had their Internet access disabled due to the filter's operation. He said most terminals running the abusive software, unlike the student labs across campus, have few, if any, restrictions on installable software.

Brown said he could not identify the faculty or staff members or the departments that controlled the offending systems. Brown did say, however, that systems in the Student Union student labs had previously been used for file sharing.

Thomas said he was not surprised that faculty members may also have used file-sharing utilities. "I would hope that on occasion they use it for class," Thomas said. "I could see how it (file sharing) would be useful to classes if it was used properly."

Use of file sharing programs has increased and decentralized since former MP3-sharing stalwart Napster, which boasted over 10 million users at its peak, suspended its operations in early July. ZD-Net reported that American research firm Webnoize counted nearly two billion file transfers through KaZaA, Grokster and Morpheus in October.

Tri-Sigma sorority sends gifts to children in New York

By Demetria Collins
Sauce Reporter

Sigma Sigma Sigma Sorority hopes to brighten the Christmas of many children in New York.

The sorority began the "Share a Smile' toy drive along with the Elementary Lab School, St.Mary's School, and other campus organizations. Donators were asked to give toys small enough to fit in shoeboxes so that they could be easily wrapped and shipped.

"We do things around the community and this was a chance for our small town to bring a smile to people that need them," drive organizer Jennifer Gray Dauenhauer said.

The drive, which started last month and ended on Friday, raised a total of 250 gifts.

"The children understood that these kids lost their loved ones," Gloria Kerry, a teacher at St. Mary's, said.

"I think they were excited by the joy of giving and wanted to help ease the pain," Dauenhauer said.

They hope to mail the toys to the New York Police and Fire Widows'& Children Benefit fund next Friday.



Photo by Kaleb Breaux
"Share a Smile" coordinator Jennifer Gray Dauenhauer hides behind some 250 boxes that will be sent to widowed children in New York next week. Dauenhauer is a member of Sigma Sigma Sigma Sorority.

UL system's president to speak at commencement

By Claire Lummus
Sauce Reporter

Sally Clausen, the president of the University of Louisiana system, will be speaking at NSU's fall commencement.

Commencement exercises will take place in Prather Coliseum next Friday.

Clausen became president of the University of Louisiana system in July. Before becoming president of the UL system, she was president of Southeastern Louisiana University.

Clausen was serious about bringing new technology to Southeastern. Diane Jones, associate director of Student Activities for Cultural Diversity, met Clausen at a Louisiana Association for Financial Aid Administrators meeting five years ago.

"She was warm and friendly," Jones said. "She didn't see a difference in people."

NSU will have two commencement exercises. The 10 a.m. ceremony will be for the colleges of education, liberal arts, nursing, and the graduate school. The 3 p.m. commencement will be for the colleges of business, science and technology, the general college, and the Louisiana Scholars' College.



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Cane River Bridge

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was the name of a guy that worked on me back in the 60s. Nice kid, not too smart, though. He took a crane hook to the skull and fell into the water. I named myself after him kinda as to pay homage. Him giving up his life for mine and all.

RM: So you were built in the 60s, right? What would be some memorable experiences in your past 40 years?

CL: I could tell you the bad stuff. Robberies, rapes, and suicides, ya know...the really bad stuff. But I prefer to remember the good times. I remember this guy and girl were walking across me one night talking about nothing in particular, and this guy all of sudden drops to his knee right in my middle and proposes. Sweetest thing I have ever seen.

RM: What has annoyed you the most about being a bridge in this town?

CL: Well, I have been hit more times than Whitney Houston, if you know what I mean. Ambulance drivers suck! They come barreling down me like there is no tomorrow and just slam into my bumper guards. I would give my infrastructure to have two minutes alone with one of those guys.

RM: I have been skirting around it, Clayton, but how do you feel about being replaced?

CL: Well, I don't want to sound like a crybaby, but it really upsets me. I have given this town service for 40 years now, so why are they doing this to me? What about loyalty and all those qualities? I have been on this job delivering people safely to and from the two parts of this town and now I'm obsolete.

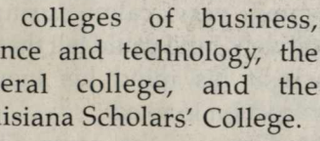
RM: Talk is that you have become structurally unsound for this job?

CL: I have never been more prepared for traffic in my 40 years. I'm telling you just like I told them, replacing me is a big mistake. I am a part of this city...You can't replace this city. A three-laned bridge, what the hell are you going to do with a three-laned bridge?

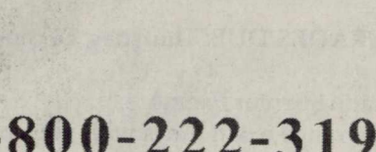
RM: Are there any final thoughts or comments you want to get out before you eventually demise that takes toward the end of January?

CL: That soon, huh, I didn't know it was creeping that close. Ummm...(Clayton pauses for a minute or two)I would like everyone to know that I have done my job, the best that I could have been constructed to do it. I want to thank the guys that built me and allowed me to serve for this long. Ya know, the life of a bridge is not an easy one. Day in and day out I help people whether I want to or not, but I love it. The happy times are when people break down, it feels almost like they are here expressly for me, not just to get across.

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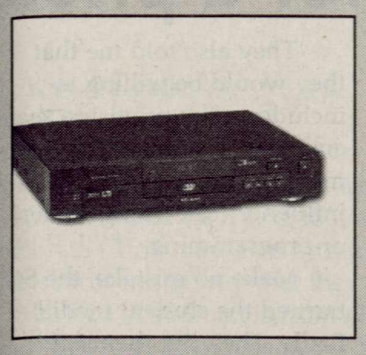


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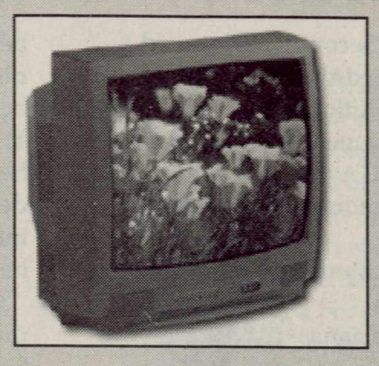
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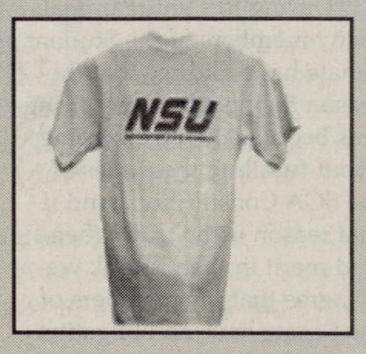
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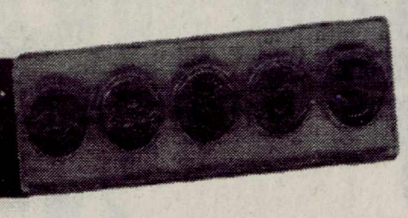
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Ginger is here and "it" looks very, very goofy

Knight Ridder/Tribune News Service

The following editorial appeared in the Chicago Tribune on Tuesday, 12-4:

This is what $100 million buys you these days: A goofy-looking thingamabob big enough for a solo standing rider. Think lawnmower without the blades or pogo stick with giant wheels.

This is "IT," codename "Ginger," whose rumored existence created a bonanza of buzz when it leaked out about a year ago.

Now it's official and its New Hampshire inventor insists "IT" will revolutionize short-distance travel by filling the vacuum between walking and driving. Who knew there was a vacuum?

Dean Kamen, Ginger's father as it were, is no mad scientist. He's a serious inventor. Among his 100 or so patents are the portable dialysis machine, the first insulin pump, the heart stent that Vice President Dick Cheney is currently using and a wheelchair that climbs stairs _ initially codenamed Fred. (Get it? Fred and Ginger?)

He has serious backers who helped finance the $100 million development costs of the Segway Human Transporter, the official name of this device.

The Segway has a top speed of about 17 mph. It gets its stability from a gyroscope, making it virtually impossible to knock over, and its power from a battery. Riders control speed and direction by shifting their weight.

The consumer model will sell for $3,000 and a heavy-duty industrial model for $8,000. The U.S. Postal Service and National Park Service are already ordering up some and companies are exploring its use for getting around warehouses, factories and sprawling corporate campuses.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration has ruled it isn't a vehicle. If that's the case, riders need no insurance and no license and "IT" can travel the sidewalks. What happens if two Segways collide? Do they just bounce off each other and propel each other backward? What happens when it rains? Or snows? And are we really ready for the kind of revolution that adds more wheels to our sidewalks? Aren't scooters, skateboards and bicycle messengers (you know who you are) enough already? Maybe New Hampshire sidewalks have room for Gingers; Chicago's are already full.

But who knows? Kamen could be on to something. Maybe "IT" will indeed turn out to be as revolutionary "to the car (as) the car was to the horse and buggy," as he predicts in this week's Time. After all, lots of people scoffed at Thomas Edison, Alexander Graham Bell and the Wright Brothers in their day. Now we couldn't live without their brainy ideas. So maybe "IT" will be like that. Or not.

Maybe "IT" will wheel itself into oblivion, over there with paper clothing, the electric hotdogger and all those other inventions that have one thing in common: It turned out we could, indeed, live without them.

Editor's Take

The SGA minutes will be back -- for a price

Two things happened this week at *The Current Sauce* that affect you and everyone here at NSU.

First, at the beginning of next semester, you will probably see something you haven't seen in the paper since Oct. 18 -- the minutes to the SGA meetings.

Earlier this week, advertising representatives from *The Current Sauce* sent a contract to SGA president Rusty Broussard and the SGA. It allows for the printing of SGA Student Senate meeting minutes for the bargain-basement price of 10 cents per column inch, given a maximum of 15 inches.

15 column inches is a little bigger than the *Kiddies* cartoon at the bottom of the page.

We gave them such a low rate because the money is not important to us here at *The Sauce* in regards to this issue. The principle, however, is important. The SGA should not expect placement of any material in the paper without having paid for it. It is something that we will not budge on.

Secondly, Broussard vetoed the Student Senate resolution that would have fired me. He stated violations in SGA procedure and violations with Louisiana Shield laws as the reasons for vetoing the bill.



Rondray HIll
Editor

While I would have preferred it if he had vetoed the bill based on violations to the First Amendment to the United States Constitution, Broussard nonetheless needs to be commended for his actions. His vetoing of my firing was not the first time he has made the right decision when everyone else is seemingly going the other way. It was Broussard who vetoed legislation requiring the paper to audiotape all interviews and keep them on file with the SGA.

Broussard and I have disagreed on plenty of issues before, and I'm certain we will disagree on something else before this year is over. But, as history has proved with Rusty, he has made the right decisions on most issues when they land on his desk. I hope he keeps it up.

During this entire ordeal, many members of the Student Senate have told me that the reason they pursued my firing was because they were going about fulfilling the duties of the SGA Constitution. And if that reason is the truth, then I find merit in that. I think we all agree that the members of the Senate have an obligation to uphold the Constitution of NSU.

The problem lies in the Constitution, and we're going to try to fix it. SGA Senators Greg Comeaux and Stacy Cosby as well as Speaker of the Senate Dustin Floyd have told me that the they, along with the SGA, will do everything in their power to fix the Constitution, starting with the removal of the by-law forcing *The Current Sauce* to publish the minutes of their meetings.

They also told me that they would be willing to include a new provision that ensures the right of all student media to be free of any outside influence concerning content or programming.

Make no mistake, the SGA burned the student media. Badly. They put themselves, as well as the University, at risk of a lawsuit and tons of negative publicity. We will not simply forget.

However, the Student Senate has repeatedly told me that they are trying to be the voice of the students. If so, senators, then here's your chance. If you are serious about actually wanting to help the students of this school, and you honestly want the SGA to be there for the students, then start by ensuring the students the right to a free press.

Your constituents expect nothing less.

Want to talk back to Rondray? Log on to www.currentsauce.com and click on the "Talkback to the Editor" link

Managing Editor's Take

Creative and performing arts department gets 'well-deserved praise'

Kaleb Breaux
Managing Editor

Just when we think our University has nothing good that could be said about it, the creative and performing arts department steps forward and takes the spot light.

I would just like to personally congratulate everyone in the creative and performing arts department for everything they have done this semester. I was very pleased to have seen the annual Christmas Gala production. You guys did a great job with your performance.

Let us not stop there. I also made it to the theater to see *Major Barbara* and *The Tragedy of Frankenstein*, as well. Both of those productions were absolutely spectacular. Both productions were cast well.

As the students of Northwestern State University, let us give the creative and performing arts a huge hand for all they have produced this semester. You maybe be the only thing the University has to be proud of, so keep up the good work guys.

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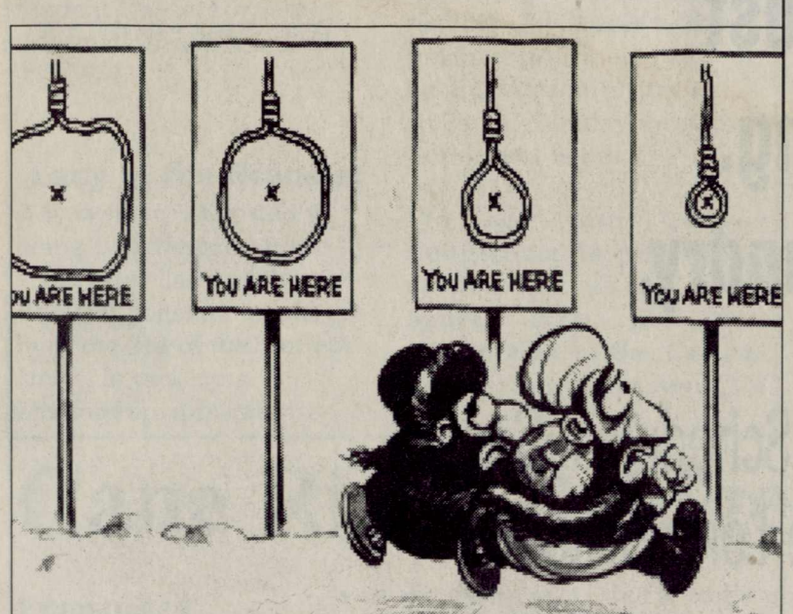
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International students celebrate Christmas in their own ways

By Kira Gervais
Sauce Reporter

It's almost Christmas time, and some international students around campus are trying to get used to the way Americans celebrate Christmas. Two international students explain the differences in the way that they celebrate Christmas.

Marieke Vosselman is from Nymegen, The Netherlands. She said they have two days out of the year that they celebrate Christmas – Dec. 25 and 26. On Dec. 25, families get together and have a big dinner. On Christmas night, which is Dec. 25, most of the families attend mass. The day after, Vosselman said they have "Christmas Markets", which is similar to a Farmer's market.

Vosselman said they usually decorate houses for Christmas, but it is a little different than the American traditions. They do not use as many lights, but they decorate the inside and outside of their homes.

"We have one tree that has lights outside and one tree that has lights inside," Vosselman.

She said the candy used on the trees is a combination of chocolate and cookie. The Dutch word used for these candies is kerstkransjes. Although they do a lot over these two Christmas days, most of the fun happens prior to Christmas. Vosselman said two weeks before Dec. 5, Sinterklaas, formed from Sint Nicholas, comes in a boat from Spain.

On the day that Sinterklaas arrives, the children put their shoes in front of the fireplace. Vosselman said they also sing songs and make something for Sinterklaas. She said the children usually make drawings, and the older people write poems for him.

During the two weeks Sinterklaas is there, he stops by all of the houses and puts candy in the children's shoes. Vosselman said Sinterklaas comes with Black Pietes, similar to Santa's elves in America, who help him during the two weeks.

Even though they just get small gifts in their shoes, Sinterklaas still brings big gifts, yet on Dec. 5 they get real presents. Also, they leave things for Sinterklaas, just like Americans leave something.

"We leave carrots for the horse and a painting for Sinterklaas," she said.

If children are bad during the year, they may not get what they want.

"If children are bad, they are told to be sent to Spain with Sinterklaas," she said.

Alexandra Nieto is from Caracas, Venezuela, and most of their traditions are very similar to American Christmas traditions. Most of the families get together on Dec. 24 to have dinner and celebrate Christmas. Instead of Santa Claus visiting the children, Jesus Christ, the little boy, visits the children.

"He pretty much has the same job as Santa Claus," Neito said.

The families also get together to celebrate the New Year. Nieto said the families also have a big dinner together on Dec. 31, to celebrate the coming of the New Year.

Dormitory residents live without hot water

By Dominique Irvin
Sauce Reporter

Last week as the temperatures dropped outside, tempers flared inside Sabine Hall.

Residents in Sabine went without hot water for *days*. Meanwhile, parents made phone calls and residents complained.

"When it's that cold outside it makes no sense for us not to have hot water," sophomore Natasha Stevenson said.

Two large hot water tanks provide the school's hot water. The loss of hot water resulted when the heat exchange went out in one of the tanks. The part was not in stock and was not available in any local stores. It had to be ordered and will not be in until the first week of January, in time for the spring semester. There is no way to set up a temporary system to help with the problem so residents will just have to wait it out.

"Until then it will be difficult," vice-president of university affairs John Winston said. "We have hot water but not at the capacity needed for a never-ending supply. There's not enough water to go around."

Winston suggested students try to take their showers at different times, to ration out the supply of hot water. Freshman Kristen Dauzat already picked up on that idea.

"One night the water wasn't even lukewarm," Dauzat said. "I set my alarm for 5 a.m., hoping I would have hot water, and I did."

As of this week, the hot water problem has improved in Sabine Hall, as well as other dormitories. However, the hot water continues to be problematic for residents.

However residents choose to deal with the problem, their concerns are being heard.

"We understand the inconvenience," Winston said. "But there is really nothing more we can do."

In Perspective

Step to the beat

Sororities and fraternities show their best moves at the annual Zeta Phi Beta Greek Show

By Callie Reames
Sauce Reporter

It was "crunk" times.

Last Friday night the 12th Annual Zeta Phi Beta Greek Show was held in the IM Building. Sororities and fraternities from NSU, as well as neighboring universities, competed in the step show. The performances were scheduled to begin at 6 p.m., but late participants and a stretching line at the entrance caused an hour and a half delay.

"Things are late because it's CP time," Alisa Raggio, a sophomore journalism major, said. "That's 'colored people time.' When something is planned to start at 6 p.m., that means it will begin at 7:30 p.m. or 8 p.m."

"I've been here for a little over an hour,"freshman journalism major Julian Simmons said. "And I'm starting to get aggravated."

The late starting time didn't seem to upset most audience members, however. NSU's Delta Sigma Theta won first in the women's division.

"We've been working really hard on the show and we're glad it really came out for the best,"Shondale Smith, a senior and chapter president of Delta Sigma Theta, said.

Kappa Kappa Psi from Prairieview A&M, took home the $1000 first place prize in the men's division.

"It took about three months to get ready for this," Jeffery Ferguson, a Prairieview senior, said,

Each 10 to 15-minute step performance was judged by nine judges on a 5 point scale, with criteria such as: clothing and costume, choreography, smoothness and difficulty of the routine, and audience appeal.

"It's amazing to me all the talent that they have," third year judge Gail Jones said.

Tiffany Keal, a junior business administration major and Zeta Phi Beta president, said putting this year's show together was difficult.

"With the help of my sorority sisters and fraternity brothers it went well," Keal said.

"Stepping" is a rhythmic movement of words and feet combined with music, costumes and effects. Junior hospitality management and tourism major Dymphna Davis explained the African origins of stepping.

"Africans would step for ceremonies and religious activities," Davis, a member of NSU's Delta Sigma Theta, said.

After the show, there was a party where, according to Keal, "All the organizations get to show their stuff with their struts and party hops." She said it was "crunk" until time to shut it down.

Phi Beta Sigma men from the University of Houston won second place, and UL-Lafayette's Alpha Phi Alpha placed third. The Grambling Zeta Phi Beta women placed second, and Louisiana Tech's Delta Sigma Theta won third place.

First place winners received $1,000 for their organizations. Second place won $500, and third place went home with trophies. All proceeds from the entrance fees go to two local high school student scholarships.

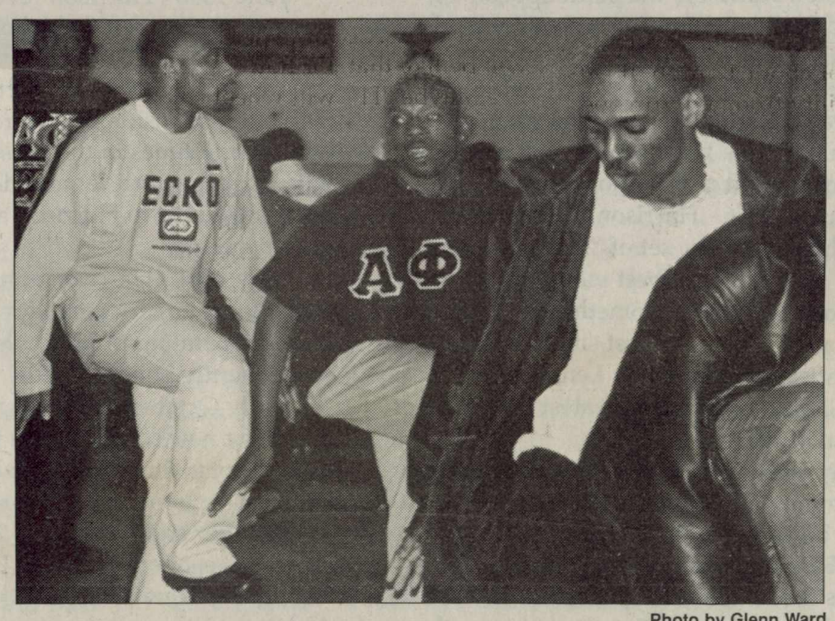


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Alpha Phi Alpha Daryl Davis, Timmy Watts and a spectator "step" in the aisles of the IM Building during the Greek Show held on Friday night.



Photo by Glenn Ward

Three fraternity brothers from University of Houston's Phi Beta Sigma chapter, entertain spectators while NSU's performers prepare their "steps."

"All the organizations get to show their stuff with their struts and party hops."

- Tiffany Keal
Zeta Phi Beta President

A look back at the life of George Harrison

By Michael Miller
Knight Ridder Newspapers

Let's take a magical mystery tour through the life of Beatles guitarist George Harrison, who died Thursday after a battle with lung cancer at age 58.

We should remember his words, "Life goes on within you and without you." And know that in death, as in life, Harrison will be prepared for any eventuality.

February 1943 - Harrison is born in the Wavetree borough of Liverpool, England. Not until he was in his 40s did Harrison learn he was born at 11:42 p.m. Feb. 24 and not, as legend has it, in the early hours of the 25th.

August 1958 - Paul McCartney introduces Harrison to John Lennon. After he plays a couple of licks on the guitar for Lennon, Harrison is invited to join Lennon and McCartney's group, the Quarry Men.

November 1959 - Now calling themselves Johnny and the Moondogs, Lennon, McCartney and Harrison perform on a TV star-search program at the Hippodrome Theatre in Ardwick.

October 1960 - Now living and playing in Hamburg, Germany, and calling themselves The Beatles, the band asks drummer Richard Starkey to sit in for a recording session.

August 1962 - Starkey becomes Ringo Starr and an official member of The Beatles. A month later, the band's first proper recording session takes place at Abbey Road Studios, and "Love Me Do" becomes the band's first single.

May 1963 - The song "From Me to You" tops the U.K. charts and sells more than 650,000 copies. It starts an amazing run of 11 consecutive No. 1 hits from 11 consecutive releases by The Beatles. Beatlemania explodes.

February 1964 - The Beatles arrive in America on Feb. 7, where screaming crowds greet them at John F. Kennedy International Airport in New York. Two days later, with a flu-stricken Harrison, the band appears on "The Ed Sullivan Show," watched by 73 million viewers.

July 1964 - The Beatles' first movie, "A Hard Day's Night," has a world premiere at the London Pavilion. It eventually receives two Academy Award nominations.

January 1966 - Harrison marries Patti Boyd, whom he met on the set of "A Hard Day's Night." McCartney is best man.

December 1969 - "Something," written by Harrison, becomes the first single released by The Beatles not penned by Lennon/McCartney. Frank Sinatra calls it the greatest love song of the past 50 years.

May 1970 - Harrison begins recording his solo album, "All Things Must Pass," with an all-star backing band that includes Ginger Baker, Billy Preston and Eric Clapton. The album's first single, "My Sweet Lord," will be a No. 1 hit in the United States seven months later.

January 1971 - "All Things Must Pass" hits No. 1 in the United States. It eventually surpasses 3 million in global sales and is the first album by an ex-Beatle to reach No. 1.

August 1971 - Harrison organizes "The Concert for Bangladesh" to aid victims of famine and war in Bangladesh. Held at New York's Madison Square Garden, the concert features Clapton, Bob Dylan, Leon Russell, Ringo Starr and Ravi Shankar. It is the trailblazer for the dozens of large-scale charity concerts for decades to come.

March 1973 - The three-record set, "The Concert for Bangladesh," wins Album of the Year at the Grammy Awards.

June 1977 - The Harrisons are divorced.

August 1978 - Harrison and his girlfriend, Olivia Arias, have a son, Dhani. In September, the couple marry at the Henley-on-Thames Register Office.



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George Harrison, known as the quiet Beatle, died on Nov. 29.

May 1979 McCartney, Ringo Starr and Harrison play an impromptu set at a belated reception in England for Harrison's ex-wife, Patti, and Eric Clapton, who were married two months earlier in Tucson, Ariz.

August 1979 - Harrison's autobiography, "I Me Mine," is published in a limited edition of 2,000 copies. His film company, HandMade Films, picks up the tab from EMI for the Monty Python movie, "The Life of Brian." The film becomes one of the biggest moneymakers of 1979. Harrison has a cameo role.

January 1988 - In one of rock's most significant comebacks, Harrison scores a No. 1 hit in the United States with "Got My Mind Set on You." It's been nearly 24 years since he first topped the chart with the Beatles' "I Want to Hold Your Hand."

Jan. 20, 1988 - Harrison is inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame as a Beatle.

November 1988 - With the album "Traveling Wilburys: Volume One," Harrison makes his debut as "Nelson Wilbury" in a group of famous musical characters including Roy Orbison, Tom Petty, Jeff Lynne and Bob Dylan.

June 1998 - Harrison reveals he had a cancerous lump removed from his neck a year earlier.

December 1999 - An intruder breaks into Harrison's mansion in Oxfordshire and stabs him several times in the chest. Harrison and his wife fight the intruder and detain him for the police. Wounds to Harrison and his wife are not severe.

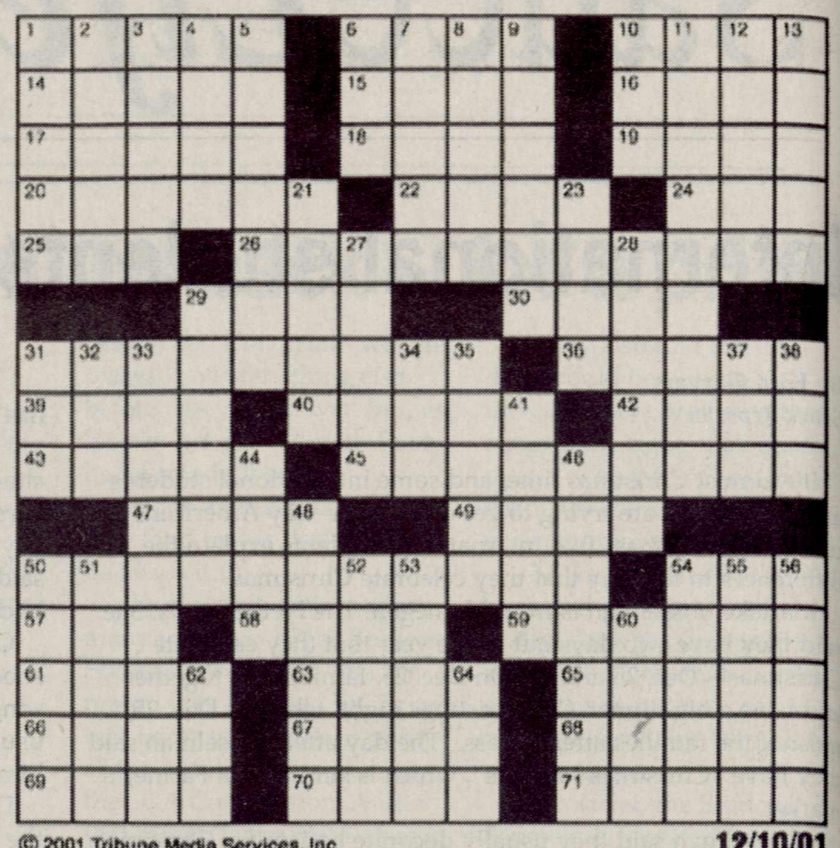
May 2001 - Harrison announces he had undergone surgery again for lung cancer and was recuperating in Italy, where he subsequently bought a villa.

Early October 2001 - Harrison records a rollicking new song, "Horse to the Water," that he co-wrote with his son for his friend Jools Holland's album "Small World, Big Band."

October and November 2001 - Harrison receives treatment at Staten Island University Hospital in New York, and then travels to Los Angeles.

Nov. 29 - Harrison dies of lung cancer at 1:30 p.m. Pacific time in a friend's Los Angeles home.

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Onikeku resigns as volleyball head coach

The Northwestern State volleyball program will have new leadership next season as athletic director Greg Burke said James Onikeku will not return as head coach.

Onikeku recently completed his third season as head coach with a 6-23 record and a 2-18 mark in the Southland Conference, finishing 10th in an 11-team league. In three seasons, his record overall was 31-61 and his record in conference play was 12-48.

The 2001 team was picked for an eighth-place SLC finish by conference coaches after NSU won six conference matches, an all-time best for the program, in 2000.

"It was a very difficult and deliberate decision to make a change in the leadership of the NSU volleyball program," said Burke. "While there has been progress in the past three years, it is felt that the program has much greater potential and must make more solid progress towards reaching that potential."

In his first two seasons, Onikeku recorded more wins, 25, than any other coach in the history of the program. In 2000, the Demons finished 14-18, posting the most wins for the program since 1993.

"Northwestern and the athletic department is appreciative of the effort and energy which Coach Onikeku has given to its volleyball program. He has been a positive influence within our department, as well," said Burke.

The search for a new head coach will include review of applicants from around the country, said Burke, with plans to conclude as quickly as possible. Burke and senior woman administrator Julie Lessiter will lead the search process.

The Demons return 12 players, including three sophomores and seven freshmen from this year's team.

James Onikeku
Head Volleyball Coach (1999-2001)



Record at NSU:
31-61
12-48 in conference

This Season:
6-23
2-18 in conference

Led the Demons to 25 wins in first two seasons.

Lady Demons drop two in Arizona, return home Saturday

The Northwestern State Lady Demon basketball team could not get started against the Fordham Rams in a 62-51 loss at the Arizona State Holiday Classic Sunday afternoon.

After a narrow 68-67 overtime loss the night before against Rutgers, the Lady Demons trailed by as many as 27 in the first half after turning the ball over 14 times and being outrebounded 29-13.

"It was tough, playing 10 hours later after the loss to Rutgers," said Lady Demon head coach James Smith. "We started slow, missed a lot of shots and let them have the rebounds. We have to learn from this and move on."

Northwestern State could not get on track until late in the second half and managed to cut the lead to 11. This was as close as they could get as Fordham converted two three-pointers and managed to run the clock down.

The Lady Demons (1-3) were led by junior Angela Davidson with a team-high 14 points and five rebounds while sophomore Katrina Swanigan added another 11 points and a team-high six rebounds. Junior La"errica Dobin had 10 points, three rebounds, three steals and three assists. Junior guard Anna Means only played seven minutes due to an arch injury suffered against Rutgers the night before.

Fordham (2-4) was led by Lauren Fleischer with a game-high 18 points and game-high 11 rebounds. Teammates Mobolaji Akiode and Kyshawn Ruff added 14 points and 11 points respectively.

The Lady Demons will return to Natchitoches late Monday night and host Jackson State next Saturday at 6:30 p.m. in Natchitoches Central gym.

Rutgers 68, Lady Demons 67

Rutgers overcame a seven-point deficit in the last 1:37 in regulation and outscored the Northwestern State Lady Demons 11-10 in overtime to steal a 68-67 win Saturday night in the Arizona State Holiday Classic.

After trailing 34-27 at halftime, Northwestern used strong defense and timely shooting in the second half to take lead with nine minutes left in the second half. The Lady Demons then took a 56-49 lead on a Jami Callais lay-up with 1:47 left in regulation but three turnovers and a lay-up by Rutgers's Mauri Horton with 24 seconds left sent the game into overtime, 57-57.

In overtime, NSU took an early lead, 59-57, but NSU's leading scorer, Angela Davidson fouled out with 2:23 remaining in the game. Both teams traded baskets until Rutger's Saona Chapman hit two free throws with 41 seconds left in the game to take a 68-67 lead. The Lady Demons had two shots to win the game but neither shot would drop as time expired.

Play-by-play man Lyn Rollins

The voice of reason



Photo by Gary Hardamon

Lyn Rollins, seated next to analyst Buddy Wood, is the play-by-play announcer for the Demon Sports Network. Rollins is an NSU alumni who's proud to be living what he calls a life-long dream.

Lyn Rollins, the voice of the Demons, has become one of the most respected sports play-by-play announcers in the state, and for good reason. Sauce reporter Nikki Vernon explains why he loves his job.

By Nikki Vernon
Sauce Reporter

One of the greatest blessings of child hood is the ability to dream. When we are young we spend countless hours creating wonderful realities to dwell in. There is one fantasy that I think transcends all demographical and cultural barriers.

It is an illusionary scenario created by all sports lovers in their youth.

Five seconds remain, your team is down by one; it's the championship game and the fate of your team lies solely in your hands. As you began dribbling up the court defenders fly out of nowhere. You pass one then two; the clock's down to three seconds. You spin past the third and as you pull up for the shot, the remaining two defenders hurl themselves at you; just as you release the ball the remaining second disappears, your heart thuds in your chest as you watch that orange mass rotate in the air.

It's Good!!

Lyn Rollins, had that dream growing up in Pineville but with a little different twist. In his version he was not the one taking the game wining shot, he was the one shouting out the rapture of it's thrilling result.

Rollins is a 1972 Northwestern graduate knew in high school that he had a passion for printed and spoken journalism. "I chose Northwestern because I had an opportunity to get involved immediately in media, speech and journalism." While attending NSU Mr. Rollins was involved in SGA as well as writing for the student newspaper for three years. Later Rollins attended Louisiana State University where he earned a Masters Degree in Journalism.

Rollins has held a number of interesting jobs. He served as Public Relations Director for nine years at Louisiana College. He worked for St. Frances Cabrini Hospital as Marketing Director for four years. But in 1994 Mr. Rollins decided to venture out on his own. He became, as he describes it, "a perpetual free agent".

In a scary world of self-employment Rollins has achieved success. "I am proud of the fact that I have given up the security of a paycheck and have experienced success in something I love doing". As a perpetual free agent Rollins does quite an impressive bit of work. He is a radio announcer for both NSU and LSU athletics. He announces basketball, football and baseball games for Northwestern and baseball for LSU.

He is in his third year as the host of Prep TV, a high school sports show underwritten by Wright and Percy Insurance. He does voice work for radio and television as well as marketing consulting for various companies.

As a former athlete and lover of sports I truly enjoy listening to Lyn Rollins commentaries. He has both excitement and elegance with every word he speaks. In the future, I hope to hear more because "It's Good!"

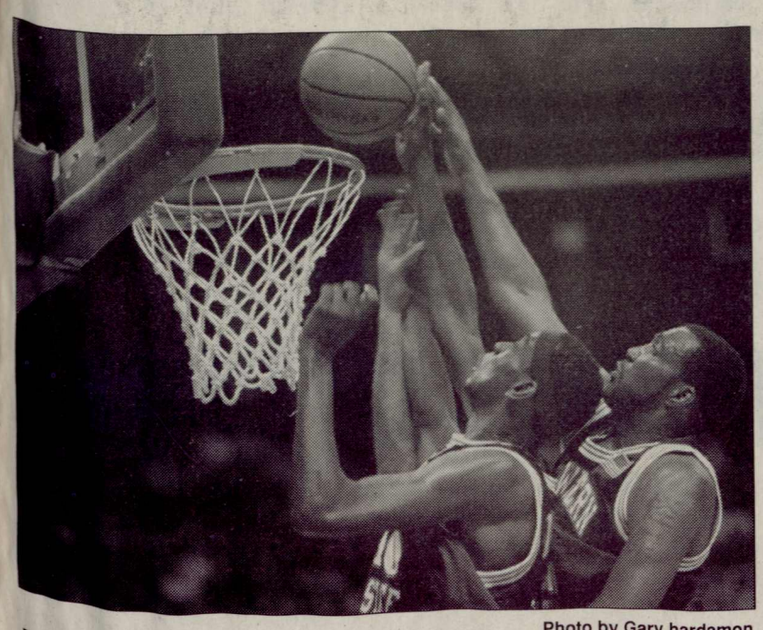


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Demons Chris Lynch and D'or Fischer combine on a putback in the loss to Hawaii last week. The Demons finished the Hawaii-Las Vegas road trip at 2-4.

Postcard from Hawaii: Wished you were there

By Rondray Hill
Editor

Not that anyone could blame him if he thought otherwise, but Demon guard Michael Byars-Dawson said that a few days of fun in the beaches of Waikiki, Hawaii, weren't enough to throw off his focus.

"To be honest, I stayed in the hotel about 80 percent of the time," Dawson said. I spent my time relaxing and preparing for the next game.

He did say, however, that while in the midst of a 13-day road trip that spanned Memphis, Las Vegas and Hawaii, some of his teammates did enjoy the, well, "ambiance."

"I think D'or (Fischer) and Mike (Edwards) were impressed with some of the ladies on the beach," Dawson said. "I was a little disappointed."

Demon Basketball

Next game:
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January 3 vs. Stephen F. Austin

The Demons, who picked up two wins out of six during the trip, managed to take out some time to do a little tourist work.

"We went to St. Jude Hospital and we saw the Grizzlies play the Cavs," said assistant basketball coach Mark Slessinger. "Coach McConathy set the record for most shots made at the ESPN Gameday game in Las Vegas."

While on the road, the Demons also went hiking at Diamond head in Hawaii as well as snorkeling in the ocean.

As for the temptations the bright lights and the big cities brought to the squad, Dawson said his teammates were well-behaved gentlemen.

"We only went to the club once," Dawson said. "Nobody went to the casino. We just chilled on the beach."

Dorsey, Grossman appear to be front runners in early Heisman exit polling

By Manny Navarro
Knight Ridder Newspapers

The final four are all quarterbacks - Miami's Ken Dorsey, Florida's Rex Grossman, Nebraska's Eric Crouch and Oregon's Joey Harrington.

The club said it still might invite a fifth finalist to Saturday night's ceremony at the Marriott Marquis Hotel at New York.

``These players have had phenomenal seasons across the board, and any one of them would be deserving of college football's highest honor,'' said Rudy Riska, executive director of the Heisman Memorial Trophy Trust.

This year, however, might be the toughest for voters to pick a winner in recent years.

That was evident Friday, when only 90 of the 921 ballots had been returned. Typically, half the votes are in by then.

``The Heisman Trophy is given to `the outstanding college football player' in the U.S. What if no player stands out above the rest?,'' Sports Illustrated columnist Ivan Maisel wrote Tuesday. ``The 67th presentation of America's most famous stiff-arm will take place on Saturday night, and for the first time since 1985, when Bo Jackson edged Chuck Long, the announcement will be preceded by genuine suspense.''

With only 20 percent of the vote accounted for through Tuesday, Dorsey and Grossman appear to be chasing Crouch, the early favorite.

Dorsey, a junior, led top-ranked Miami to an 11-0 record and a berth in the Rose Bowl national championship game on Jan. 3. He completed 58 percent of his passes for 2,652 yards with 23 touchdowns and nine interceptions.

Dorsey, trying to become UM's third Heisman winner and first since Gino Torretta, has said all season that winning a national championship has been his main priority.

``Throughout the entire year, the Heisman has never been a concern of mine,'' he said Tuesday. ``But I'm not the only one deserving of this type of award on this team. I think Ed Reed, Bryant McKinnie, Phillip Buchanon and Clinton Portis are just as deserving of a Heisman. Without them, we wouldn't be playing for the national championship.''

Grossman has the best statistics among the finalists, completing 66 percent of his passes for 3,896 yards, 34 touchdowns and 12 interceptions. UF is 9-2 and likely headed to the Orange Bowl.

``It's a huge honor and shows what a good program we have here,'' said Grossman, trying to become the first sophomore to win the award. ``Personally, I felt I had a pretty good year.''

Crouch, whose Cornhuskers still have a chance at playing Miami, led Nebraska to an 11-1 record. He passed for 1,510 yards and rushed for 1,115 - becoming only the 13th player in Division I-A history to surpass 1,000 passing and rushing yards in the same season.

``I'm very happy to be in a position to win such a prestigious award,'' Crouch said. ``I just have to sit back and really enjoy this.''

Harrington, who had a $250,000, 12-story billboard of himself put up in downtown New York last summer by Oregon boosters, led Oregon to a 10-1 record and the Pacific-10 Conference title.

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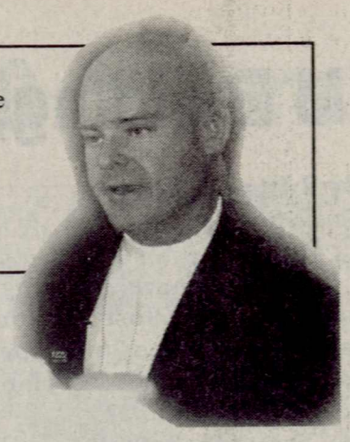
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Sauce Briefs

Admissions and recruiting office to hold eighth annual Junior Day

Courtesy of the News Bureau

High school juniors can get an early start on planning their college education Saturday at Northwestern's eighth annual Junior Day.

The program is sponsored by NSU's Office of Admissions and Recruiting. High school juniors who will begin college in the fall of 2003 and their families are invited to attend.

Registration begins at 9 a.m. in Magale Recital Hall. The program will begin at 10 a.m. A program titled "The College Journey: The Right Choice" starts at 10:30 a.m.

For more information, contact Northwestern's Office of Admissions and Recruiting at (318) 357-4503 or (800) 426-3754 (in Louisiana) or (800) 327-1903 (outside Louisiana).

Campus organization helps middle school students with LEAP scores

Courtesy of the News Bureau

Eighth grade students can obtain extra assistance studying for the LEAP 21 test with a computer program developed by the Space Science Group in the College of Science and Technology at Northwestern titled "Practice Run."

The CD-ROM has more than 1,000 math and science questions to help prepare students for testing. According to Tom Quantrille, marketing director of the Space Science Group, the program not only alerts students when they answer a question incorrectly but also explains what mistakes were made.

Quantrille said the software costs $10 and is available through the Space Science office by calling (800) 259-9555, faxing (318) 357-4307, or e-mailing ssg@nsula.edu.

More information is available on the Space Science Group Web site at http://www.spacescienceg roup.nsula.edu. The CD-ROM may be also available in Natchitoches area retail stores.

'Man, It's great to be back home'

Scott Stoker named new head football coach

By Rondray Hill
Editor

Scott Stoker, a record-setting former Demon quarterback and leader of the 1988 Southland conference championship squad, became the new head coach of the Demon football team last Tuesday.

At a press conference before nearly 150 supporters, Stoker officially accepted the head coaching job at the school he led to the 1988 national tournament semi-finals. The 33-year-old assistant coach at McNeese was chosen three other applicants for the job.

"Man, this is awesome," Stoker said. "It's great to be back home. There's so much tradition here. I played here and this is huge to me and my family."



Photo by Rondray Hill
Former McNeese State University assistant coach Scott Stoker was named the Demon football team head coach last Tuesday. Stoker was welcomed to Northwestern by University president Randall Webb and 150 other supporters.

Stoker spent 12 years as an assistant coach at McNeese, working with both offense and defensive positions under three different head coaches. While at McNeese, his teams went 93-51.

"This job was meant for me. I didn't know when it was going to happen, but I knew it was going to eventually," Stoker said. "Now I'm going to run with it and we're going to have a great time doing it."

Stoker's father, Alexandria Senior High football coach Butch Stoker, was on hand to see Scott replace former Demon head coach Steve Roberts, who resigned in mid-December after accepting the head coaching job at Arkansas State. Roberts coached the Demons to a 14-9 record in his two seasons at NSU, including an 8-4 record and playoff appearance this season.

"It's an exciting time for Northwestern State University to be able to hire an alumnus and a former player who is such a tremendous football coach," said NSU president Randall J. Webb. "We are delighted to have Scott Stoker coming home as our head football coach."

Stoker set the NSU single-season passing record of 1,966 yards in 1988.

More coverage of Scott Stoker hiring inside:

Rondray Hill questions the lack of minority applicants in his Editor's Take.
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Complete coverage in this week's Sauce Sports.
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Residential advisors gear up to welcome students back

By Callie Reames
Sauce Reporter

Campus residents for the spring semester began the move back into the dorms last week. The three days of student check-in were preceded by two days of leadership training for each dorm's staff.

Shawna Manning, one of four Assistant Area Coordinators (AAC) in Sabine Hall, said she thoroughly enjoyed the experience.

"We met with all the other dorms' staff in Rapides to go over 2002 (this year's) policies with the Director of Student Housing, Woody Blair," Manning said.

In preparation for the residential move, Connie Reeves, an AAC in Varnado Hall, said they had to inventory the items in each room. Some residential assistants decorate their hall to welcome students, and each hall will have an informative meeting at the beginning of each semester.

There are approximately 100 new residents living in dorms this semester. Reeves said Varnado was completely full.

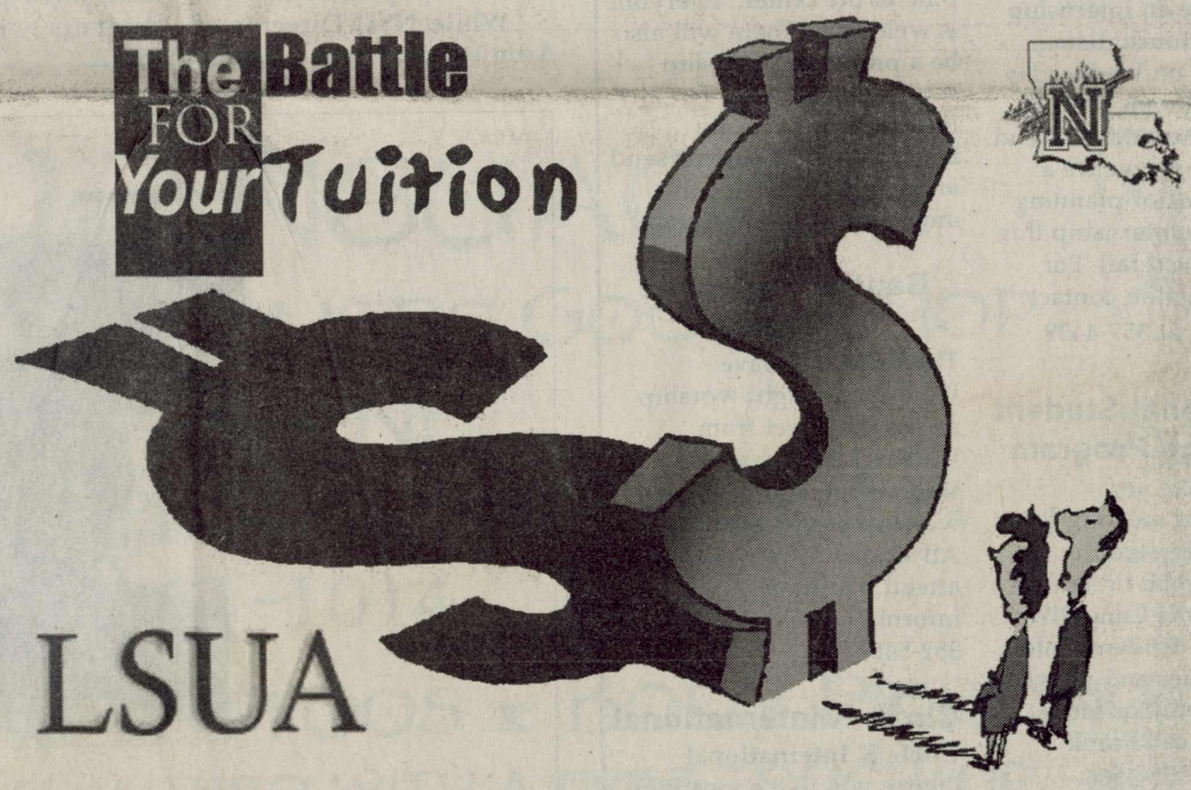
Rachel Specks, a first time resident from Slidell, has one problem with living in Sabine.

"There is no hot water," she said.

Manning said there is only one functioning boiler and that the staff is aware of the situation.

"Within the next few days it will be fixed," Manning said.

To commute or not to commute



Administration confident in keeping students at NSU; LSUA poses no threat...at least not now

By Garrett Guillotte
Sauce Reporter

Administrators at both Louisiana State University in Alexandria and Northwestern State University expressed little fear that students would flock to LSUA's planned bachelor's degrees in liberal studies, biology, and elementary education.

Still, the prospect of a public four-year college in Alexandria, a city barely 50 miles south of Natchitoches and home to 46,000 people, did not escape the attention of NSU students who hail from there.

"If they had a scholars' program and the scholarships, I'd go to LSUA," NSU sophomore business administration major Amanda French said. French said her parents live within five minutes of LSUA's campus, which would eliminate her need to pay for housing if she attended classes there. French is also planning to attend LSUA's summer session.

However, LSUA's Vice-Chairman of Academic Affairs Randy Stovall said the four-year degrees would primarily serve the same students that LSUA currently enrolls.

"I think it's (LSUA's enrollment's) going to be the people that can't go anywhere," Stovall said.

"Enrollment won't plummet at Natchitoches," Director of LSUA's Division of Business Administration

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The Breakdown
NSU vs. LSUA

Founded
LSUA -- 1960
NSU -- 1884

Enrollment
LSUA -- 2,362
NSU -- 9,005

Full-time Semester Tuition
LSUA -- $725
NSU -- $1,171.80

Degree Programs
LSUA -- 10 2-year, 3 proposed 4-year
NSU -- 50 2-year, 4-year, and graduate

* Information provided by LSUA.edu, nsula.edu, NSU department of institutional research.

IM Building, staff make move to Rapides Hall in preparation of renovations

By Britton Faucon
Sauce Reporter

The Intramural Building has been closed for renovations and will be relocating to Rapides Hall basement on Jan. 22.

The basketball and racquetball courts in the IM Building will remain open for free play for the remainder of February. The new operating hours for both locations are Monday through Thursday from 7 a.m. until 9 p.m., and for Friday from 7 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.

Dequena Alford, a regular at the IM, says she will work out in the Rapides Hall basement, but she will not feel comfortable there alone and will travel there with male friends.

Female athletes will be affected by this change as well. Tiffany Swingler, an NSU soccer team goalkeeper , said, "I'll use the Field House. The only reason I come to the IM is because it has more room. I won't go to Rapides. However, I think guys will go to Rapides."

Director of Recreational Sports Mark Deshotel assured students that safety is the most important thing and that his intent is not to put anyone at risk.

Deshotel said the last set of blueprints for the new IM have been sent to the State Facility Planning Board in Baton Rouge and the NSU physical plant for approval.

Deshotel kept student input in mind as he toured other University facilities in order to create a building that would work for NSU.

The IM will increase weekly hours to be open until 10:30 p.m. and new weekend hours to be open until 8 or 10 p.m. The building will have increased gym space will all new equipment.

Also, 20 new cardio machines will increase availability and efficiency in the workout area. There will new positions available to work at the IM. A wellness employee will be on staff to provide nutrition advice to students.

The IM also hopes to coordinate with the nurses on campus to offer health screenings and blood pressure tests.

Contractors will soon be touring the facility. Once a contractor is selected, construction should begin later this semester and finish in 15-18 months.



Photo by Glenn Ward
Sauce reporter Callie Reames takes an unguided tour of the temporary IM located in the basement of Rapides Hall. The temporary IM will open on Jan. 22.

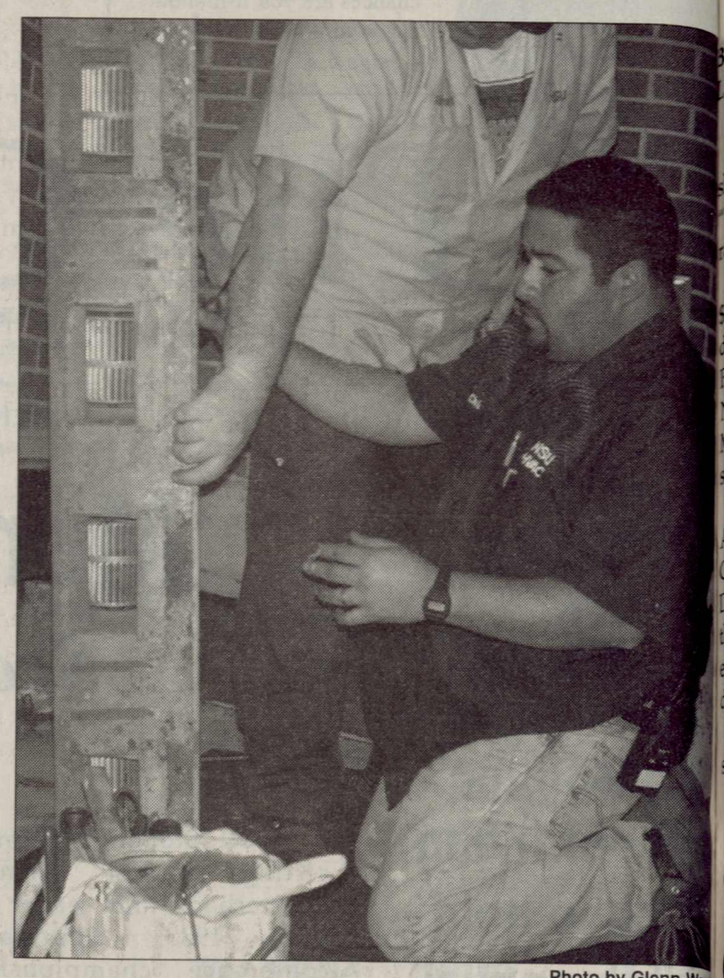


Photo by Glenn Ward
Physical plant workers Richard Shilling (left) and Charles Moody (right) make Rapides Hall ready for the IM's migration.

Administration confident

From page 1

Jim Breyley said. Breyley said LSUA's planned four-year programs, which the LSUA web site said are expected to be finalized by the spring 2003 semester, are aimed at students in and immediately around Alexandria that do not want to leave the area for a four-year degree.

LSUA's Director of Student Aid and Scholarships Kenn Posey, an NSU graduate and former NSU financial aid staff member, also acknowledged NSU's wider variety of extracurricular activities, particularly its intercollegiate athletics program.

"The type of students that go to NSU would not go to LSUA," Posey said. "We (LSUA) cater to a different population."

While NSU Director of Admissions Jana Lucky said that LSUA's programs would not lure current and prospective NSU students southwards, she also said NSU "will continue to work with students in Rapides parish with visits to every high school in the area ... We don't think we'll be hurt very much."

LSUA sought but failed to win approval for four-year programs in nursing and business administration, two programs Breyley said were most popular among students interested in LSUA.

Stovall said national accreditation and budget issues prevented the Louisiana Board of Regents from accepting the business administration program.

Dean of NSU's College of Business Joel Worley said LSUA's problem lies in hiring the business faculty necessary to earn national accreditation. Worley said none of the faculty in NSU's college of business, which is nationally accredited, has left to teach in Alexandria.

"They (LSUA) can't afford us," Worley said.

Stovall said he hopes LSUA will eventually provide the contested business administration curriculum in the future. Breyley said LSUA would provide a business administration emphasis for its liberal studies program.

If LSUA's nursing and business administration programs were eventually approved, it would offer what NSU Institutional Research's Tammy Dufrene said are NSU's five most popular degree programs.

Campus Connections

ORGANIZATIONS

Journalism Majors

There will be an internship meeting for **journalism majors only** on Wednesday at 3 p.m. in Room 107C of Kyser Hall. You must attend this meeting if you are a journalism major planning to pursue an internship this summer or next fall. For more information contact Neil Ralston at 357-4439.

International Student Exchange Program

ISEP will have an informational meeting for students interested in studying abroad on Jan. 30 at 3 p.m. in the Cane River Room of the Student Union. Coffee, cookies and punch will be served. For more information call Frank Schicketanz 357-4566.

Student Activities for Cultural Diversity and Minority Affairs

The Offices of Student Activities for Cultural Diversity and Minority Affairs invite you to a Martin Luther King Celebration today in the Sylvan Friedman Student Union at 7 p.m.

Student Activities Board

The **SAB** will be holding elections for five representative-at-large spots and residential representatives for Bossier and Dodd Halls. Interested students may pick up applications in Room 214 of the Student Union from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. until January 25. Applications are due no later than 4:30 p.m. on January 25. At-large positions are open to anyone, but applicants must reside in either Bossier or Dodd to apply for the residential positions.

Catholic Student Organization

The **CSO** will hold a **Bible study** every Tuesday at 8 p.m. at the center. Everyone is welcome. There will also be a praise and worship service Wednesday. For any information call Amy Dowden at 352-2615 or send an e-mail to amyburson@hotmail.com.

Baptist Collegiate Ministry

The **BCM** will have Wednesday night worship across the street from Watson Library every Wednesday night. The worship begins at **8:31 p.m.** All students are welcome to attend. For more information call the BCM at 352-5464.

Circle K International

Circle K International invites you to it's meetings every Tuesday night at 8:30 p.m. in Room 320 of the Student Union. For more information call Jessica at 357-5974.

Fellowship Christian Athletes

FCA will be having its weekly fellowship every Tuesday night. The meetings are held in the athletic field house on the south end of Turpin Stadium at 8 p.m. There will be a devotional speaker each week. Everyone is welcome to come and join us in praise.

Spanish Club

The Spanish Club would like to invite potential members to its meetings every Wednesday at 3 p.m. in Room 331 of Kyser Hall.

***To see your Campus Connections in next week's edition of The Current Sauce, drop off your information in the Campus Connection box in Room 225 of Kyser Hall.**



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Oops! 'Bucks for Trucks' drive nets NSU only $760 dollars

By Kristen Dauzat
Life Editor

Northwestern State fell far short of its $9,400 goal in the "Bucks for Trucks" fund raising campaign.

NSU collected a total of $760, which included donations from University President Randall Webb, Natchitoches Mayor Wayne McCullen and university students.

Student Government Association Senator Buster Carlisle and Vice President Dustin Matthews attributed the poor turnout to not having enough time to collect donations.

Matthews said the small size of the donation was due to poor timing, which was in the middle of Homecoming week, and a lack of understanding among the student body.

"I don't think the students were really educated on what the money was going towards," Matthews said.

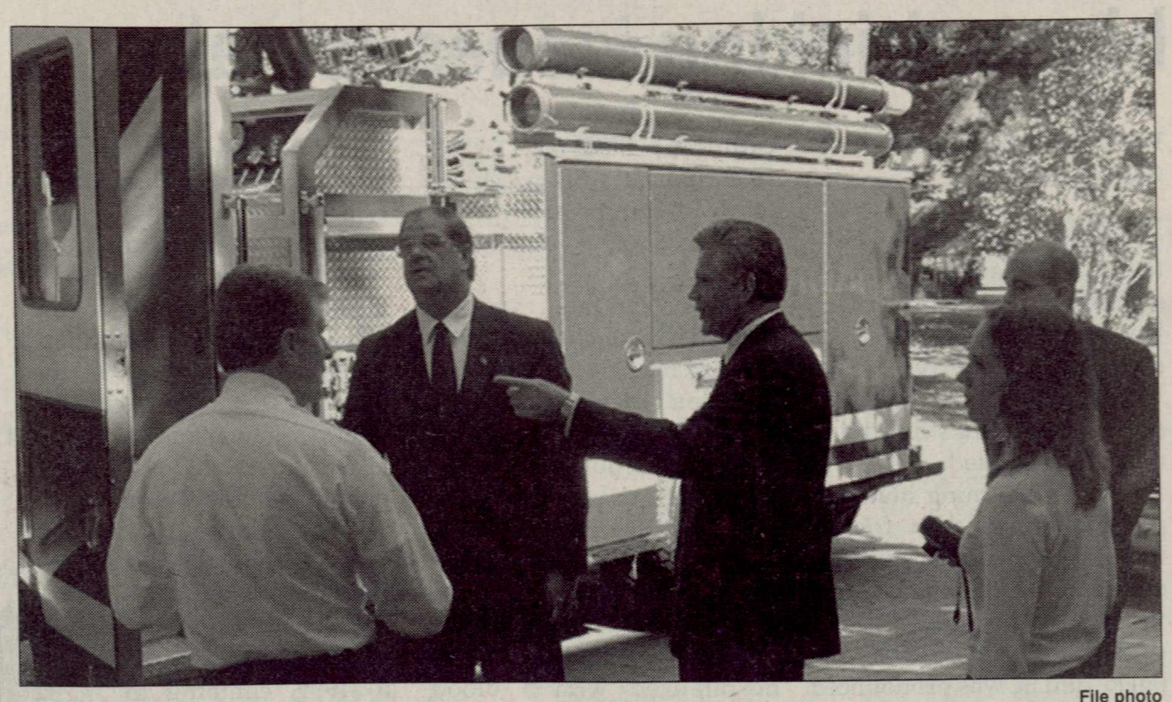
"I think there is too much stuff that goes on, on this campus, too much over programming. People just see it and people just brush it aside not worry about it" Carlisle said.

Fund-raising goals depended on the student enrollment of each university. The original idea was for each university student to donate one dollar. Nicholls State, The University of Louisiana at Lafayette and McNeese University all surpassed their goals, while Louisiana Tech reached slightly less than half of theirs.

NSU, however, raised less than ten percent of its goal.

Although there was little time, NSU did help contribute to the $500,000 needed to buy "The Spirit of Louisiana" fire truck, which was donated to the New York Fire Department to help replace trucks lost in the 9/11 terrorist attacks. "The money was raised in time and was a definite surplus," Matthews said.

"I think we could have done a better job," Carlisle said. He added that a possible solution for future fund raisers will be to look for outside help in order to raise more money.



File photo

In November, NSU hoped to raise $9,400 to donate to "The Spirit of Louisiana", a fire truck which was donated to a New York Fire Department. However, the University fell short of that mark by over $8,000.

Students flocking to new university courses on Sept. 11, terrorism

By Dana Hull and Becky Bartindale
Knight Ridder Newspapers

Universities across the country scrambled to organize teach-ins and seminars after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, and interest in Arabic language and Islamic studies courses skyrocketed.

But the upcoming winter quarter and spring semester mark the first time California students can enroll in such classes as Bin Laden and Terrorism Outside the U.S.: The Case of Uzbekistan, or Film After 9/11.

Bay Area professors say the terrorist attacks have provided a "teachable moment" unrivaled since the campus activism of the Vietnam War. College students who grew up in peace and prosperity suddenly crave information about international affairs as they attempt to understand recent events. Across academic disciplines, university teachers have retooled old courses and quickly created new ones, with an eye toward producing better-informed global citizens.

"We didn't do it because we expect a huge influx of enrollment," San Jose State University political science Chairman Terry Christensen, whose department will offer several Sept. 11-related courses this spring, said. "We did it because it's the right thing to do."

University of California-Berkeley has taken the rare step of opening two new classes to alumni and the public without charge. Issues in U.S. Foreign Policy After 9/11 and Afghanistan and Its Neighbors will be offered in the evenings in January. University of California-Los Angeles had 50 post-attack seminars ready to roll by October; an additional 30 will be offered this winter.



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'98 campus death haunts family; binge-drinking issues remain

By Amanda Vogt
Chicago Tribune

In the hours before he was found lying face down in his fraternity room at Indiana University, Joe Bisanz, 19, attended a party where witness said he may have had several rum drinks but didn't appear intoxicated.

He was turning blue and not breathing when friends found him in the early hours of Dec. 13, 1998. Frantic efforts to resuscitate the honor student from Libertyville, Ill., failed, and he was pronounced dead nearly 12 hours later at a hospital in Bloomington, Ind.

His blood-alcohol level was .206 percent, over twice Indiana's legal limit, yet normally not enough to kill an otherwise healthy young man, according to a pathologist who performed a private autopsy months later at the family's request.

The circumstances of Bisanz's death haunt his family, who has doubts about how campus police, the county coroner and other officials handled the matter. They also question whether the university has done enough to curb excessive or binge drinking, a problem that continues unabated on many college campuses.

"There is not a moment when I don't wonder how and why Joe died," said his father, Gary.

No autopsy was performed at the time of their son's death, even though the family asked for one, hospital records show. The death certificate, filed on Dec. 22, 1998, indicates Bisanz choked to death on his own vomit with alcohol a contributing factor.

The private autopsy proved inconclusive. Gary Bisanz and his former wife, Val, don't deny that alcohol may have played a role in their son's death. But they wonder what the university learned from the incident. Bisanz's fraternity - Pi Kappa Alpha - was expelled from the university in October after a pledge member was hospitalized with a blood-alcohol level of .375.

"How many students have to get sick or die before IU gets serious about making its campus safer?" Gary Bisanz asked. "I don't think the university recognizes that students are people entrusted to their care."

A Harvard University study of 14,000 college students between 1993 and 1999 found that while the number of students who engage in binge drinking remained steady at 44 percent, they were doing it more frequently. The study, published in 2000, defines binge drinkers as men who consume five or more drinks in a row or women who consume four or more drinks.

In 1999, 23 percent of the students reported engaging in frequent binge drinking, a 14 percent increase from 1993, according to the study.

Before 1999, when the 1990 Campus Security Act was amended, the nation's colleges made no comprehensive effort to track off-campus, alcohol-related arrests or disciplinary referrals, officials said. Colleges were required to report only on-campus, alcohol-related arrests to the U.S. Department of Education.

Amended in 1999, the Campus Security Act now requires universities to report all alcohol-related infractions, both on and off campus.

The change in the law might account in part for the rise in arrests for campus liquor law violations, which increased 20 percent from 1997 to 1999, climbing to 37,732 from 31,358, according to the Department of Education.

In Bisanz's case, a 21-year-old member of Pi Kappa Alpha was arrested for allegedly purchasing alcohol for minors, but the misdemeanor charge was dropped when the student left the country.

The fraternity, which was on probation for an alcohol-related infraction at the time of Bisanz's death, wasn't suspended until the following February, according to Richard McKaig, Indiana University's dean of students.

"In retrospect, we didn't do enough," McKaig said. "We were caught in the middle. There was so much pressure to hold the students accountable, yet they acted nobly and responsibly to try to save Joe."

Since Bisanz's death, Indiana University now notifies parents when students are arrested or referred to a disciplinary committee for alcohol-related violations, McKaig said.

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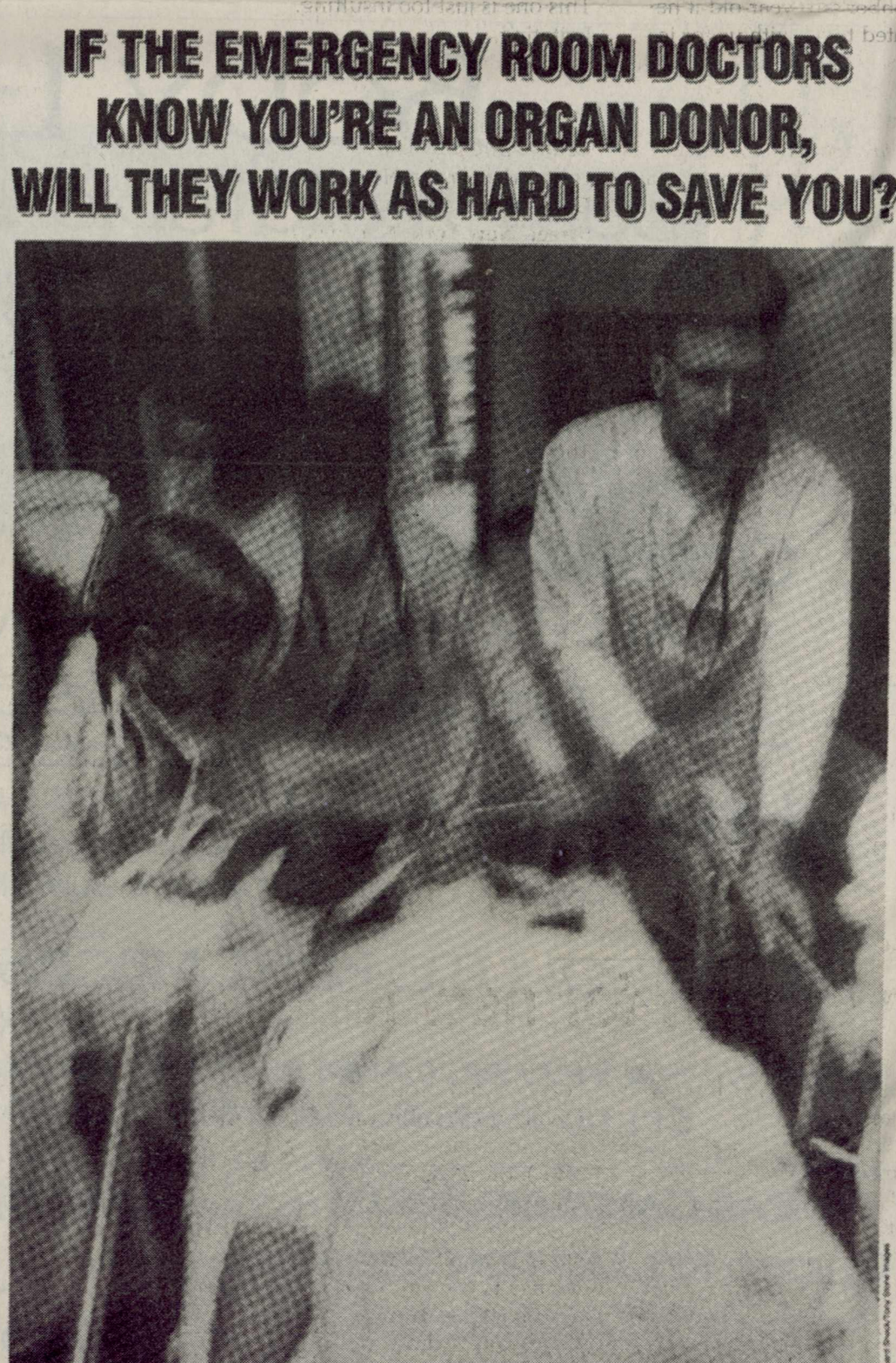
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Please say 'goodbye' to the word 'whatever'

By Lenore Skenazy
New York Daily News

What. Ever.

Not one, but two four-letter words that, when combined, are guaranteed to drive the parents of sullen teens and precociously annoying preteens absolutely hopping-up-and-down, how-have-I-spawned-such-awful-offspring nuts.

"Honey, would you like a piece of mom's homemade, four-cheese, piping hot lasagna?"

"Whatever."

"Didn't I ask you to pick up your socks yesterday?"

"Whatever."

"Just tell me: Was it a fender bender, or is the car totaled?"

"Whatever."

Whatever? Why not just say it the old-fashioned way? "Go jump in the lake, ma!" "Stick it in your ear, pops!" Or even that hoary chestnut, "It's none of your business! I hate you! I wish Shelly's parents were my parents! They're cool."

"Whatever" is, quite simply, Generation Y's smart bomb, the noncommittal reply programmed to find the soft underbelly of parental forbearance and explode on contact. And it works just fine on non-parents, too.

The other day, I asked my neighbor's 10-year-old if he wanted to go with us for ice cream. He replied (eyes rolled to some fascinating spot on the ceiling), "Whatever," thereby rendering me about as eager to buy him a sundae as I'd be to fund his college education.

"It is a big problem here," acknowledges Suzanne Gibbons-Neff, a traumatized mom of two teen-age sons in Connecticut. "When you're trying to have an in-depth conversation with them and they don't want to deal with it, instead of saying, 'You're right' or 'I understand,' they'll just say, 'Whatever.'"

Or at least they did. Now Gibbons-Neff fines her boys a buck for each "W," because to her it's as if they'd used an obscenity.

"It drives me crazy when my 7-year-old says that," says Mom No. 2, Carol Gifford, who lives outside Philadelphia. "I was disciplining her the other day about talking to strangers, and she's not paying attention, so I say, 'Do you hear what I'm saying?' And she says, 'Whatever.' Whatever? What do you mean? Say, 'Yes!' Say, 'I won't do it again!'"

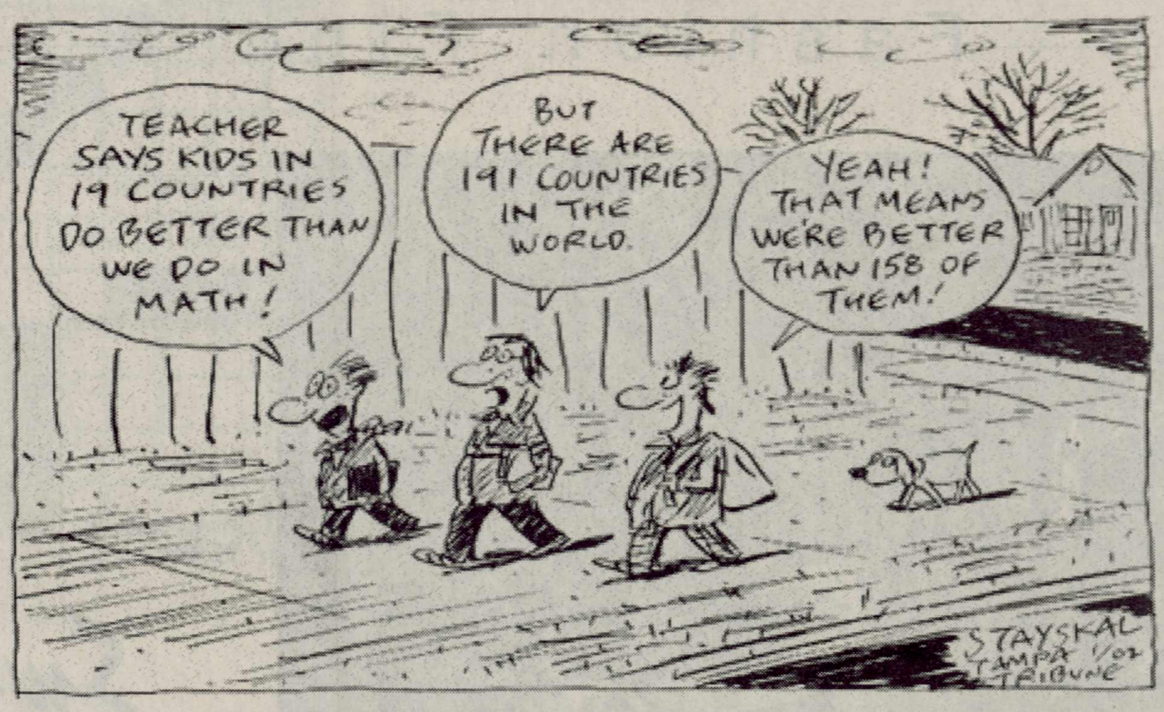
But no. "Whatever" is this generation's final answer. And what makes it even more apoplexy-inducing is that "whatever" users always have an alibi: "Hey! It's not like I said something bad. I was agreeing with you!"
Yeah. And "Yeah" means I really believe what you just said.

Let's move on to another topic.

Topic? If only! I'm ready to move to another planet. This one is just too insulting. Irritating.

Whatever.

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U.S. should follow Canada's lead in cigarette labeling

Show someone a product decorated with color photos of rotting gums, cancerous lungs or diseased brains, and the reaction will be yecch!

Precisely. That was the thinking of Canadian health officials when they required tobacco manufacturers to decorate cigarette boxes with graphic warnings that cover the top halves of Canadian cigarette packs both back and front.

Not all the new Canadian warnings are of the gross-out variety. One features a picture of a drooping cigarette and the frank message: "Cigarettes may cause sexual impotence due to decreased blood flow to the penis. This can prevent you from having an erection."
That should give male smokers something to think about.

Have the new labels had any impact? Yes, according to a new study by the Canadian Cancer Society. It found one-third of the Canadian smokers who tried to quit in 2001 were influenced by the shocking labels; half of the smokers said the labels increased their motivation to quit.

So let's try it here.

The United States is actually the first country to introduce warning labels on cigarettes. But attempts to toughen up the words-only U.S. warnings died in the Senate last year under pressure from pro-tobacco forces. A new bill calling for Canadian-type warnings is being pushed by U.S. Reps. James Hansen, R-Utah, and Marty Meehan, D-Mass.

U.S. health groups should fight for this bill, armed with the new Canadian research results.

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Editor's Take

In search for new football head coach, minorities not given a fair shot



Rondray Hill
Editor's Take

Scott Stoker is the new head coach of the NSU football team. His credentials are impressive and he's a legend in Demon football history.

This editorial has nothing to do with Scott Stoker, but rather about the glass ceiling that rests just below his feet. None of the four finalists for the head coaching position were minorities, and the university has never hired a minority head coach in its history.

With so much attention paid on the national level to the lack of minority head coaches (only four in Division I-A colleges and only one in the NFL), our school missed a golden opportunity to make a statement. NSU had a chance to prove that a minority, even in the deep south football country of Louisiana, could have at least a fair chance to land a head coaching job.

Let's be honest: how would it look if LSU or Ole Miss beat us to the punch?

Steve Roberts' departure was our shot to prove that it *is* acceptable to hire minorities in top spots. But we missed it. Missed by a mile. We were wide open in the end zone and couldn't hang on to the pass.

Athletic Director Greg Burke mentioned several reasons for the lack of minority finalists. He said Roberts' departure during the middle of Christmas break, during the peak of recruiting season, and at a time when most coaches are gone for the holidays, left the Athletic department in an immediate bind.

That may be true. But here's the problem. Burke's reasons are nothing more than excuses—trite excuses that he himself would not accept from any coach who didn't produce both wins and great student-athletes.

It seems that, at some point in the process, there's always a glitch in the system when it comes to minority applicants. Either there weren't enough applicants or there wasn't enough time or whatever. And whenever the time calls for it, simply revert to the if-anyone-asks-why-insert-applicable-excuse-here formula.

Under Burke's tenure as AD, NSU has maintained an impeccable record in hiring coaches for NSU sports. To his credit, it was Burke who hired James Onikeku, an African-American who served as head volleyball coach.

But the head volleyball coach and head football coach might as well be on different continents. The head football coach at any university— any high school for that matter—holds as much respect and power as the Mayor of your city.

As such, the students, players and fans need to demand that all races, creeds and religions get an equal opportunity. The drought of minority hirings for football coaching positions is not just a national problem. It's up to us to keep banging away at this problem until it's fixed.

Let's not settle for a safe field goal anymore.

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Fashion Find



Luke Burrett, president of Silver Star, with his prized platinum and diamond creation

Photo by Daniel A. Anderson

Sweet Success

How Luke Burrett and his Silver Star jewelry caught on with students and celebrities

By Valerie Takahama
Orange County Register

Luke Burrett has a Rolex watch tattooed on his wrist, and the tips of his hair are peroxide white as if to match his gigantic diamond and platinum pendant.

He paces around his Silver Star Casting Co. outlet store in Costa Mesa with a cell phone attached to his ear.

From his double-pierced nose to his wildly painted Ford F-150 Supercab, Burrett, 31, is the embodiment of the defiantly gaudy style that has made his Silver Star jewelry a status symbol of sorts on high school campuses in Southern California.

"Everybody knows who they are," said Johnny Lucero, owner and designer of the Costa Mesa-based Johnny Suede clothing company. "It's a really big look here. Everybody wants to be like a tough guy."

What Tiffany's heart-tag bracelet _ a $125 sterling silver must-have bauble _ is to a certain set of teen-agers, Burrett's $44 Silver Star rings with designs of a horseshoe, naked "truckin' girls," the Cadillac hood ornament and the Ford and Lincoln insignias are to another.

"We do really well with them. It's one of my best lines," said Jack Martinez, founder of Black Flys sunglasses and the House of Flys stores, and a friend of Burrett's. "If you're a player, you're wearing a bunch of rings on your hands." But high-school surfers and low-riders aren't the only ones flashing Silver Star jewelry. Dennis Rodman, Cherokee Parks, Blink-182 drummer Travis Barker, former Motley Crue drummer Tommy Lee and motocross daredevil Seth Enslow are among the celebrity fans of the jewelry.

Burrett believes their notoriety has helped to boost the popularity of his rings, bracelets and pendants. His 5-year- old company reports sales of about $1 million annually, and there are three Silver Star stores, in Newport Beach, Calif; Ventura, Calif., as well as the Costa Mesa outlet.

As Burrett tells it, his is your typical Southern California success story: Raised in Dana Point, he butted heads with his minister father when he was 15 and left home. He earned a living as a car detailer and had his own business, South Coast Enterprises, in his hometown for several years, but he was also artistically inclined and harbored dreams of breaking into the world of surf fashion.

"I realized I had to do something to get noticed. I moved north because Quiksilver and all the other clothing companies were happening here," he said of Costa Mesa. "This is the hub of fashion." Through his car-detailing company, he met Martinez, who became his mentor.

Said Martinez: "He's a nice guy. He had ambition, he was motivated. The car-detailing business wasn't creative. He owned it for five years, and it was getting stale.
"He said he wanted to start a business. `What should I do, what should do?' I said, `Accessories.' There was a niche in the market."

Using about $10,000 in savings and his own design ideas, Burrett set out to fill it. He located fabricators and manufacturers, and through Martinez, he met distributors who placed his jewelry in clothing boutiques and surf shops.

He started with auto-inspired designs, and he recently scored with a ring that resembles a Dayton rim, a stylish and popular wheel-cover. But he's also branched out to include other spheres: a record mixing board, a martini shaker, a crown and a heart with thorns.

Martinez believes his former protege is on the right track with his business.
"He needs to stay focused on the youth market. It's growing so fast," Martinez said. "You've got to come up with fresh and new designs. You can't be stale. New, new, new, new, new. Don't get stale."

"We're always designing new stuff. I have so many ideas," he said. "I did a licensing deal with a rim company.

"If you've got a little niche, you've got some flavor and you're fun, everyone is going to follow you. If you're boring, your company is going to be boring."

NSU Family copes after house fire

Dominique Irvin
Staff reporter

LaDonna and Russell Rachal's winter break did not start out as they planned.

The family stayed with Rachal's brother-in-law for a few days and then moved into a home owned by their church.

They had to. Because on the evening of Thursday, Dec. 6, their house caught fire.

At around 7:30 p.m.., an electrical fire started in the laundry room of their home in Flora. Russell Rachal had left the house earlier that day to a local nursing home with their church, Provencal First Baptist Church.

LaDonna was home with her two daughters when she smelled the smoke.

"I just panicked," Rachal said. Rachal told one of her daughters to call her uncle on the phone but thought better of it and "I said 'No, let's just run.'"

Rachal's other daughter was asleep on the floor. "I just grabbed her up and we ran out of the house. It was very scary," Rachal said.

The fire heavily damaged the kitchen and laundry room. The rest of the house was damaged by smoke and water. "We were able to keep the outside structure but we had to completely gut the inside down to the studs and start over on the inside," Rachal said.

The Rachal's expect to be back in their home in four to six weeks.Until then, they'll stay with her brother-in-law.

The Rachal's celebrated their holidays in their temporary home. "It was different being in a new environment but we had a good Christmas," Rachal said.

The church's house is more convenient for the Rachal's because it is close to their church and the girls' School but "it's not home," Rachal said. "[We are] ready to go back home."

A love fund was started for the family at City Bank by Rachal's co-workers in the Business Affairs office. Rachal has worked as a Human Resources Analyst there for almost six years. "We want to use this as an opportunity to thank everybody for everything that they've done," Rachal said.

"It really meant a lot [to have] friends that'll stand beside you in a crisis like this."

Former faculty members remembered after death

Rob Morgan
Staff reporter

NSU lost two of its former faculty members this month.

Dr. Carroll D. Aby Jr. died Wednesday, Jan. 2 in Baton Rouge, and Dr. A.R. "Buddy" Bonnette died Thursday, Jan. 3 in Natchitoches.

Aby served as Dean of the Business Department from 1998 until his retirement in 2001. Aby's death occurred roughly a year and a half after his wife, Carol Ann, passed.

"That was the love of his life, that was the term they used for one another," said Penny O'Bryan, Aby's former secretary.
He left two children, Trey and Jennifer, and a legacy of accomplishments on the NSU campus. Aby was the recipient of the NSU Alumni Associations Outstanding Teacher's Award, and he developed the Dean's Executive Advisory Board, which put money toward scholarships and classroom improvements.

In Aby's memory a scholarship has been set up at the NSU Foundation. Donations can be sent to Penny O'Bryan, College of Business, Northwestern State University, Russell Hall, Room 201E, Natchitoches, LA 71497. For more information, call (318) 357-5162 or email penny@nsula.edu.

Bonnette began working with the university in 1963 as a teacher in the Department of Health and Physical Education. He taught swimming and water safety classes at the university and continued working part time after retiring in 1986 for 12 more years.
He was named to the NSU Hall of Distinction-the Long Purple Line-last year and was given the title of "professor emeritus" in 1995.

Dr. Norman Wilkes, who knew Bonette for the past forty years as a student and then later as a colleague, describes him as "all man, all character, a character, great man, great character".

According to Wilkes, Bonnette was a man that gave 100% of himself and expected the same of others in return.

"He felt so passionate toward life saving because he knew it was someone's life at stake, so it was never a laughing matter in that class," said Wilkes. "It was pure get to the details and do them right and if you didn't he told you."

Wilkes considered people to fear Bonette out of respect, and knew they left his water safety instruction class knowing they had completed something worth bragging about.

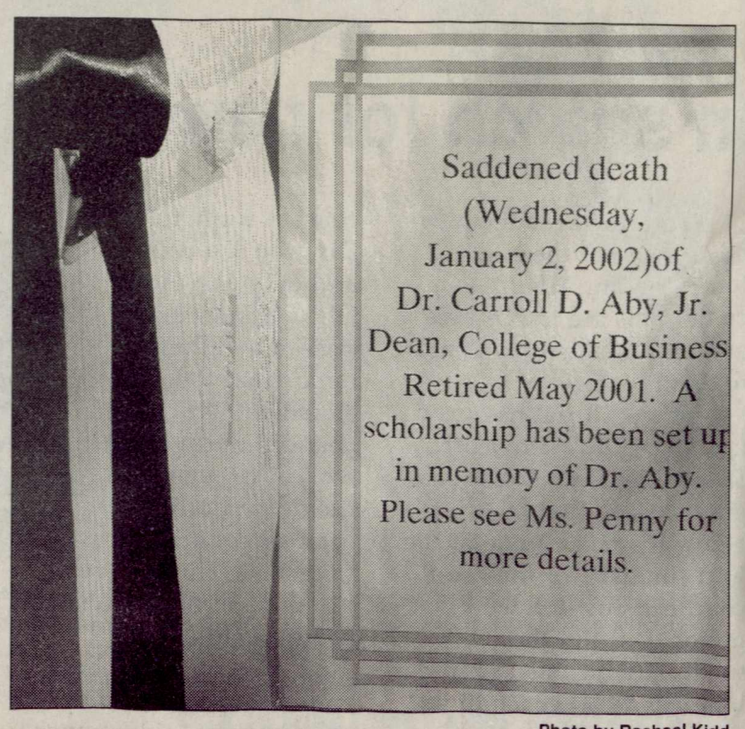
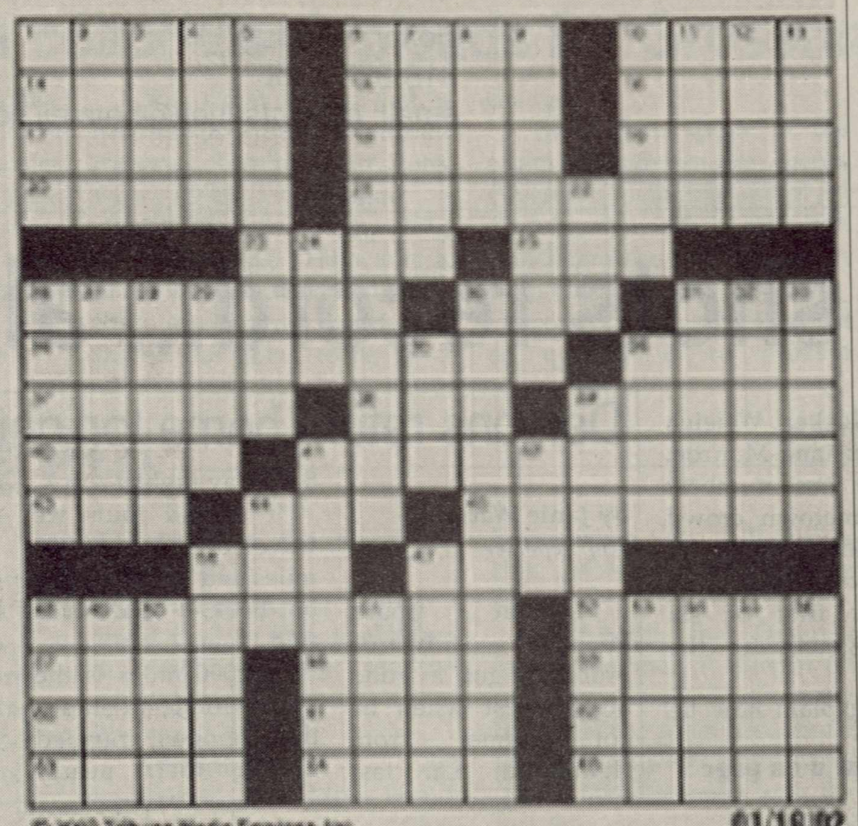


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This flier was posted in Russell Hall to inform students of the passing of Dr. Carroll Aby. He was one of two former faculty members who passed away over the Christmas holidays.



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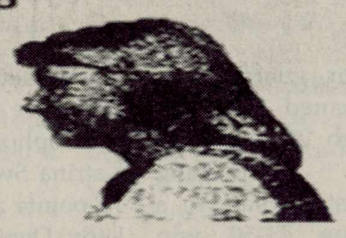
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Fischer breaks blocked shots record... already

By Rondray Hill
Editor

D'or Fischer has 72 blocks.

He has 72 blocks in only 15 games.

That means Fischer averages nearly five blocks a game. Quick math shows that by the end of the season, Fischer will swat away another 80 shots if he keeps up his current pace. That would give him a mind-boggling 152 blocks for the season, shattering the conference season record of 144.

How cool would that be?

"I don't know, man, it's crazy," the 6-11 Fischer said. "I didn't even try to make it a goal of mine. But I was told if you're good at something, try to be the best at it."

His 72 blocks are nearly the best. Second best in the nation to be exact, trailing only fellow Southland conference shot blocker Wojeich Myrda from Louisiana-Monroe. He'll try to improve those numbers in front of his hometown crowd tonight when the Demons (6-9, 2-2 SLC) face Southwest Texas. The game will be the first of six consecutive home games for the Demons.

Ask Fischer to explain how he shattered the Demon block

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Demons return home tonight, face SWT

By Janie Warren
Staff reporter

Demon guard Michael Edwards probably got a good night's rest when he got home from Hammond, La. last Saturday night.

"I found out we traveled about 14,000 miles and we're glad to be back," Edwards said.

14,000 miles is the approximate distance the Demons traveled during their nearly two-month-long road trip.

The players and the coaches expect that being back home can only do great things for them tonight as they kick off a six-game

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Lady Demons trounce Nicholls 71-50, win third straight

Junior guard Anna Means scored 17 of her game-high 21 points by halftime, sparking Northwestern State to a convincing 71-50 win over Nicholls State Monday night as the Lady Demons remained on pace with the leaders in the Southland Conference women's basketball race.

Northwestern (9-4 overall, 6-1 in the SLC) won its third straight and picked up its eighth victory in the last nine games. The Lady Demons, one of three teams with only one league loss, have played 11 of their first 13 games away from home but now will play 10 of their next 14 in Prather Coliseum, where they are 37-3 in the past three seasons.

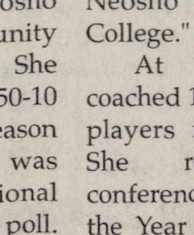
Sophomore forward Katrina Swanigan added 15 points and nine other Lady Demons scored as Northwestern shot 51 percent. The team was led by Means' 7-of-10 shooting, who posted her career-best point total by sinking 2-of-4 3-pointers and shooting 5-of-6 at the free-throw line.

Nicholls (6-8, 2-5), which came off an 81-65 win Saturday over Louisiana-Monroe, got 15 points from Jessica Gipson and 11 from Jennifer Posey while the team shot only 33 percent.

"Nicholls is a much-improved team, but they

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Assistant coach Leigh Davis named new Volleyball head coach



Leigh Davis

-- Joined staff in Dec. 2000

-- 30 years old

-- Neosho College graduate

Leigh Davis, who posted a 98-36 record in three seasons as a head coach at the junior college level before joining the Northwestern State volleyball coaching staff last year, has been named head volleyball coach by NSU athletic director Greg Burke.

The appointment of Davis, 30, is contingent upon approval by the Board of Supervisors of the University of Louisiana system. She replaces James Onikeku as head coach and takes over a program which is looking for its first berth in the six-team Southland Conference Tournament field.

Davis joined the NSU staff as an assistant coach in December 2000 following three years as head coach at Neosho County Community College in Kansas. She posted a sparkling 50-10 record in her final season as her 2000 team was ranked in the national junior college top 20 poll. Davis was named the 2000 Jayhawk Conference Coach of the Year.

"Leigh's demonstrated level of head coaching success in the highly competitive Kansas Jayhawk Conference has provided her with the foundation needed to improve the fortunes of the NSU volleyball program," Burke said.

"Her ability to motivate players and teach fundamentals will be an asset," he said. "Equally important is her commitment to academics, as illustrated by the high graduation rate of her players at Neosho Community College."

At Neosho, she coached 16 all-conference players in three years. She recruited the conference Freshman of the Year in her last two seasons, and had the 2000 Jayhawk Conference's

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Scott Stoker's Back

Stoked to be the Coach

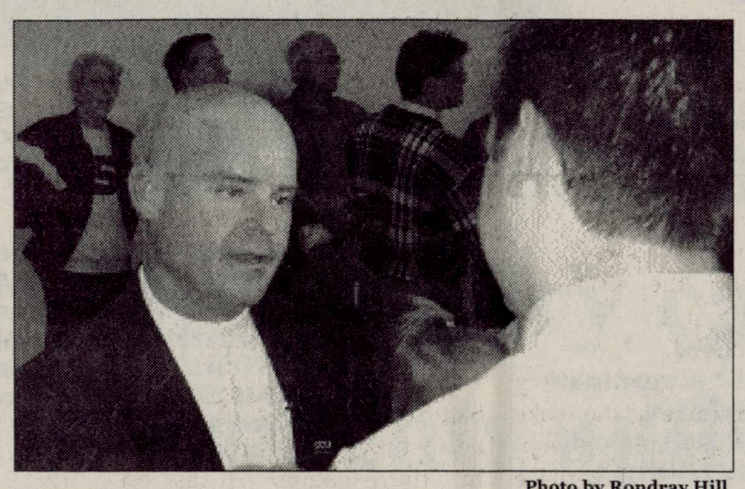


Photo by Rondray Hill

At only 33 years old, Scott Stoker became one the youngest head coaches in the nation when he took the head coaching vacancy at NSU

Recruitment, personnel decisions to be top priority with new Demon head coach Scott Stoker

By Mindy Mixon
Staff reporter

A different coach this season inevitably means the NSU football program will encounter different personalities and coaching styles.

"There will be subtle changes," Stoker said. "It will be more intense, more hands on. Obviously, I'm not an old man. I like to get involved. The biggest asset for me is relating to players. You have to relate to the way the world is today."

Usually, a coaching change in the middle of the season spells disaster for recruitment prospects.

"There's no question it's going to affect recruiting," Stoker said. "But I know probably every high school coach in Louisiana and we've gotten a really good response already."

Stoker said that the pressure of becoming head coach right in the middle of recruiting season is nothing he's not used to.

"There was a lot of pressure to be a coordinator when I was 24," Stoker said. "There was a lot of pressure to be an offense coordinator at McNeese when I was 27, too. So, now to be a head coach is just a little more pressure."

Stoker's boss, Athletic Director Greg Burke, doesn't seem worried about the timing.

"The timing of the change does put our coaches a little behind in the recruiting process," Burke said. "But they aren't the only coaches with a little bit of a disadvantage.

"And because Scott was heavily recruiting for McNeese he knows who is

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Photo by Rondray Hill

15-month-old Zoe Stoker entertains University president Randall J. Webb while her father, Scott, addresses the media at the announcement press conference last Tuesday. Stoker spoke to a crowd of close to 200 Demon fans, supporters and media members when he announced he would replace Steve Roberts.

Yup, Mr. Stoker's resume checks out clean

By Rondray Hill
Editor

Anyone wanting confirmation of Scott Stoker's credentials as Demon football coach need only look at the picture placed on the NSU Athletics Department's web site.

There's No. 10, right next to the story announcing him as head coach.

But, just to be on the safe side, *The Current Sauce* did an informal search into Scott Stoker's background.

Our search found nothing unusual in Stoker's background.

It has been confirmed that Stoker not only graduated from NSU in 1991, but he also lettered in football here from 1986-1989.

That's not news to anyone who's seen Stoker play.

"In this case, all the confirmation I need is that I saw Scott Stoker walking the sidelines of Turpin (Stadium)," Athletic Director Greg Burke said.

"Had it been anyone else hired, we strongly considered doing a background check," Burke added. "But in this case, we know that the man we hired is Scott Stoker."

The Current Sauce also received confirmation from the Sports Information department as well as Alumni Affairs that Stoker is indeed a graduate and letterwinner of NSU.

"As far as we know, Scott's never been to New Hampshire," Sports Information Director Doug Ireland said.

"He's never gotten a master's degree, and he's never coached at Georgia Tech."

New Florida coach Zook pleads for Grossman to stay

In his first news conference as Florida's coach, Ron Zook did something Steve Spurrier never did in his 12 years here: unsolicited, he raised the topic of the Heisman Trophy.

It was his first recruiting pitch, and it was for quarterback Rex Grossman.

"Rex wants to hear that he has the opportunity to win the Heisman Trophy," said Zook, who knew Grossman -- considering a leap to the NFL -- was listening. "He wants to make sure that he will have that opportunity, and that there's not going to be much change."

Zook then spoke of the attacking offense he wants Grossman to operate and of Ed Zaunbrecher, the offensive coordinator he has brought in from high-powered Marshall. One of the reasons Zook is here so quickly is to prevent sophomore Grossman and junior wide receiver Taylor Jacobs from leaving for the NFL. He met privately with the two players Wednesday night, and they will make their decisions before Friday's deadline for underclassmen to enter the draft.



Photo by Knight-Ridder

New Florida coach Ron Zook wants Rex Grossman to go for the Heisman.

SWT game

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homestand against Southwest Texas at 6:30 p.m.

The Demons are 6-9 overall and 2-2 in conference play, while the Bobcats enter the game at 4-10 and 2-5 in the Southland conference.

"Southwest Texas is a solid bunch," Demon head coach Mike McConathy said. "They shoot the deep ball really well."

McConathy attributes a great deal of this confidence to each of the players' consistency and hard work on the court.

McConathy also explained that the senior players are stronger. "Chris Lynch and Melvin Roberts have played very well during this stretch," McConathy said.

Although the Demons lost to Stephen F. Austin on Jan. 3, Coach McConathy feels that the team has gained more confidence since that game. The Demons won the last four games and are ready to continue their winning streak.

While Demon guard B.J. Netterville hopes to see a strong turnout of fans, he said he would be just as confident if he and the Demons were still on the buses. "Even if we had more games on the road, we'd win them too," Netterville said. "We're just playing so well now."

D'or blocks

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record, his own record from last year, and the always-talkative Fischer has a good grasp of the answer.

He said that his opponents give him help.

"They help me out," Fischer said. "They think that just because I'm thin, they can just take it to me. But I have a 90-inch wingspan, and that helps."

"They try to challenge me," he added. "Some teams will look in the paper and say 'here's this kid who leads the nation in blocks.' Then they go after me."

Fischer will have his challenge illustrated for him in Tonight's game against the Bobcats (4-10, 2-5 SLC). Southwest Texas boasts two players taller than 6-10, 7-footer John Martin and 6-11 Melih Yavsaner.

It's an assignment that Fischer said the Demons are prepared for.

"We're starting to play well," Fischer said. "Finally being at home helps because nothing seems to go your way on the road."

Lady Demons

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caught us at a bad time after we played poorly defensively on Saturday at Southeastern, and we were very determined to improve," Lady Demon coach James Smith said. "When we're good defensively we're good, period, and that's what happened tonight. We shut down the passing lanes and took away their perimeter game and got out to a lead."

Means drained her 3-pointers in a 10-2 burst over three minutes that boosted Northwestern ahead 25-15 with 7:02 left in the first half.

Nicholls got no closer than six points afterward, trailing 37-24 at halftime and quickly falling behind by 20 five minutes into the second half as the Lady Demons went on a 9-2 run with Angela Davidson getting seven of those points.

"Anna played exceptionally well in the first half and helped carry us into control of the game," Smith said. "Anna works so hard and if she gets open it's going down. They were very concerned defensively with Davidson and Swanigan and gave her some free looks and she made them pay. I was very pleased with the way she played, both at the two and later at the point."

The commanding performance came in the wake of a lackluster 67-63 win Saturday at last-place Southeastern Louisiana. Smith was pleased with the contributions of his entire roster, which has only one senior.

"I was pleased with how everybody played," Smith said. "We got some young ones some playing time and they did well. This kind of game will pay off for us when we need some quality minutes from those kids."

Northwestern tips off a five-game home stand Saturday afternoon at 2 p.m. against one of the better teams in the league, Texas-San Antonio.

"It's been a very long and arduous road, playing 11 of our first 13 away," Smith said. "I can't tell you how happy we are to be coming home to Prather Coliseum. I like our position at this stage and now we need to defend our home court in the fashion we always have."

Leigh Davis hiring

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most valuable player. Davis also coached four all-region standouts at Neosho.

Her coaching career began at Northern State University in Aberdeen, South Dakota, where she earned her master's degree in higher education in one year and served as an assistant volleyball coach.

Davis is a native of Buffalo, Wyo., where she was a versatile star athlete at Buffalo High School. She was a six-time regional track and field champion in the triple jump, high jump, long jump and the 100-meter hurdles, where she had a best time of 14.7 seconds. She was an all-state, all-regional and all-conference diver on the swimming team. In basketball, she averaged 19 points per game in winning all-state and all-conference awards.

In college at Dickenson State, Davis was a three-sport athlete and is the only woman in university history to play for conference championship teams in volleyball and basketball. She was an all-conference pick in basketball and a national championship track and field qualifier in the multi-events (heptathlon).

Davis and Demon baseball pitching coach John Paul Davis have been married for almost three years. They met while they were coaching at Neosho.

Stoker Story

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available.

"Now all he has to do is change out of that blue sweatshirt to a purple one and continue doing the same thing."

"It's great to be back home," Stoker said. "I'm comfortable with Natchitoches -- I know my way around, it's not like I'll get lost in town."

The former quarterback great, who still holds NSU's single-season offense record with 2,559 total yards in 1988, officially took over the Demon program Jan. 8.

Before then, he worked as the defensive coordinator for Northwestern rival McNeese State University, who under his guidance made seven playoff appearances in eight seasons.

"I was really fortunate to get hired right out of playing under coach Goodwin," Stoker said. "Then I moved on to McNeese, but when this opportunity came along I just couldn't pass it up."

Demon Baseball picked to defend conference crown, place eight on all-conference team

With eight returning players earning Preseason All-Southland Conference baseball honors, Northwestern State was picked to repeat as champion in the 2002 SLC race according to polls released Wednesday by the league office.

The Demons have won seven of the last 11 Southland baseball titles. First-year head coach Mitch Gaspard, for the past seven years the top assistant at Alabama, took over a program that posted a 38-17 record last season.

Northwestern shared top billing in the coaches' poll with Texas-Arlington, which received four first-place votes to five for the Demons but totalled 76 points. In the poll of sports information directors, NSU got seven first-place votes and had sole possession of the favorite's position with 97 points, 10 more than UTA.

Louisiana-Monroe was third in both polls, with Southwest Texas tying for third in the coaches' voting and finishing fourth in the SID poll.

With eight Preseason All-SLC picks, the Demons had more than twice as many as any other team. Southwest Texas, ULM and UTA each had three players chosen in voting by the league's head coaches.

Taking first-team Preseason All-SLC honors from Northwestern were senior right-handed pitcher O.J. King (8-2, 4.03 ERA), senior second baseman David Quattrociocchi (.401 batting average, 3 HR, 27 RBI), outfielder Jeremy Hale (.364, 24 RBI, 15 steals) and designated hitter Brad Hanson (.381, 8 HR, 52 RBI).

Demons on the second team are senior right-handed pitcher Carl Makowsky (5-0, 3.35 ERA), junior left-handed pitcher Zach Sanches (7-3, 3.72), senior shortstop Ricardo Solis (.294, 2 HR, 27 RBI) and senior catcher Shawn West (.299, 5 HR, 29 RBI).

Northwestern began preseason practice Monday. The Demons open the season Feb. 15 at the South Alabama Tournament against Wichita State and will play North Carolina-Charlotte and South Alabama in that event before visiting Texas and hosting Minnesota in a three-game series at Brown-Stroud Field Feb. 22-24.

'Courtside with Demon Basketball' returns to local TV on weekends

Viewers throughout north and central Louisiana can watch "Courtside with Demon Basketball" highlight show covering Northwestern State's men's and women's team and airing on television stations in Shreveport, Natchitoches and Alexandria beginning this weekend.

The half-hour show features game highlights, interviews and feature stories on players for the Demons and Lady Demons, along with analysis from head men's coach Mike McConathy and women's head coach James Smith. It airs at 6:30 Friday nights on KNTS-TV Channel 17 in Natchitoches, at 9:30 Saturday mornings on PAX 21 TV in the Shreveport-Bossier City area, and at 10:30 Sunday nights on KLAX-TV Channel 31 in Alexandria.

The show, produced by D.B. Cooper Productions, will run for 11 weeks through the end of the conference tournament season in early March. Veteran announcer Lyn Rollins will be the host for the third straight year.

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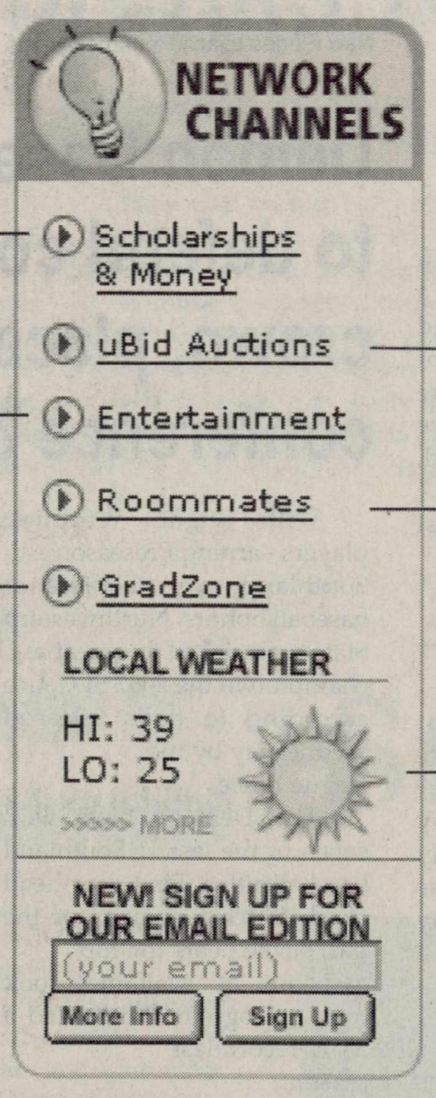
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Sauce Briefs

Assistant professor to hold recital

By Alisa Raggio

Nikita Fitenko, an assistant professor of piano at Northwestern State University, will present a recital Monday at 7:30 p.m. in Magale Recital Hall.

Fitenko, a native of St. Petersburg, Russia, has been playing the piano for 28 years.

Fitenko stayed close to his heritage by choosing works by Rachmaninov and Mussorgsky, who are Russian composers. "'Pictures at the Exhibition' is one of the most technically advanced pieces composed for the piano and is said to be one the greatest works ever written for piano," Fitenko said

Admission is free and open to the public.

Scholarship to honor Kyser family

Courtesy of News Bureau

Applications are being accepted through Feb. 15 for the John, Thelma and Janet Kyser Endowed Scholarship at Northwestern State University.

The four-year, $500 per semester scholarship will be awarded to a freshman Louisiana resident who graduated from a high school in the state with a grade point average of at least 3.0 and an ACT score of 19 or better.

The recipient must be majoring in either anthropology, criminal justice, history, political science, sociology, or general social science and maintain a grade point average of at least 3.0.

Basketball homecoming set

Courtesy of News Bureau

Former players and coaches will gather to celebrate the long success of the Demon and Lady Demon basketball in the third annual NSU Basketball Homecoming, which is scheduled for Feb. 23.

All former basketball players, coaches, managers, trainers and their families are invited to rejoin their former teammates for recognition and a reunion.

Campus pedestrian struck by car

By Garrett Guillotte
Sauce Reporter

A car struck an unidentified female Northwestern State University student early Wednesday afternoon.

NSU infirmary nurse Lisa Thomas said the woman was transported by ambulance to Natchitoches Parish Hospital for precautionary x-rays. Thomas said the woman was not seriously injured.

The woman was crossing Sam Sibley Drive on the crosswalk connecting the Sabine Hall parking lot to Kyser Hall when a Toyota Camry hit her, campus police officer Mario Parris said.

Parris said the driver of the car, who he identified as NSU student Psymeko Deans, did not see the woman enter the crosswalk before hitting her. Parris also said Deans was not cited for the accident.

At press time, campus police, the NSU infirmary and Natchitoches Parish Hospital could not release information on the woman's identity or condition. Witnesses at the scene also could not identify the woman.

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Photo by Garrett Guillotte

On Wednesday afternoon a University student was struck by a car while crossing Sam Sibley Drive to go to class. The injured student was taken to Natchitoches Parish Hospital for precautionary X-rays. No one was issued a citation in the accident.

Nothing up our sleeves

Like 'Magic'

New urban radio appears in Natchitoches

By Garrett Guillotte
Sauce Reporter

Abracadabra! Natchitoches has an urban-format radio station.

Thank the magicians at Elite Broadcasting for this one.

"There was a large audience that was being denied their format of music," Elite's operation and program director Ed Goble said.

And to satisfy that audience, Elite, which owns and operates country station KSBH-FM River 94.9 and sports radio station KNOC-AM, opened Magic 106.5 FM on Jan. 7. Magic's format, Goble said, includes mainstream hip-hop and rhythm-and-blues music.

And to fans of Northwestern State's student-run radio station, KNWD 91.7 FM, there's a familiar person on the air.

"I think the biggest thing is that there hasn't been a commercial station that offered particularly rap and r&b music, and specifically targeted to that audience," Magic's only live disc jockey and KNWD general manager Raymond Williams said. "The people here that decided to put this in motion had a pretty smart idea."

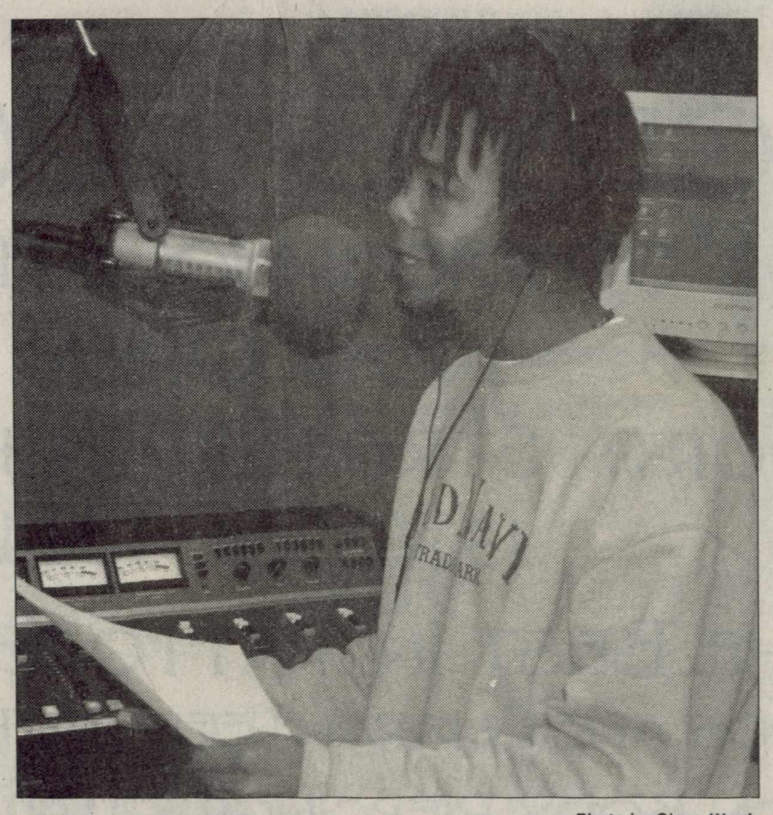


Photo by Glenn Ward

Magic 106.5 FM DJ and KNWD general manager Raymond Williams announces for Magic's evening show.

Williams said his job as a Magic DJ is a paid internship towards his graduation from NSU, and also said it does present him with a conflict of interest.

"I have to be very cautious of how I do things, because I'm obviously concerned with KNWD and it's image," Williams said. "So I have to make sure that we're (KNWD) doing what we can do to have one up on the competition ... but then at the same time I can't step on the toes of my employer, either."

Still, Williams said he doesn't think KNWD, which broadcasts a broad and eclectic mix of music at **Cont'd on page 2**

Hallelujah! Student loan checks set to arrive in mail soon

By Jennifer Bocanegra
Sauce Reporter

Student loan money for the 2002 spring semester has arrived at the university financial aid office.

The scheduled date for mailing spring loan checks was Jan. 22, but students should not expect their money just yet. Financial aid director Kristi Motter said once Northwestern State electronically receives funds from each lender, they must be matched with each student's roster number and account status before the money is disbursed.

"We run various programs to make sure that students are still eligible to receive the funds," Motter said. "There are several different checks run to verify that the student is not in an over-award situation, that the student is still enrolled, and that the student is still eligible."

Motter said students may only receive a maximum amount of money for each year they attend NSU, and receive a separate fall and spring disbursements. Motter said that this amount is based on the cost of tuition, books, transportation and housing.

"Some students who were eligible for money in the fall are no longer eligible for money in the spring for various reasons," Motter said.

The Federal Education System's maximum allowed amount of money for tuition and housing depends on the school of attendance, while the amount permitted for transportation and books is based on a state average. Students who reside off-campus receive a larger budget than on-campus students depending on whether or not they live with their parents and if they have dependents to care for.

"After funds have been properly matched with each student's account, students who are eligible for a **Cont'd on page 2**

American Humanics train to manage non-profit organizations

By Rob Morgan
Sauce Reporter

Northwestern State University students in the American Humanics program attended the annual American Humanics Management Institute on Jan. 2-5 in San Antonio.

The American Humanics program is an interdisciplinary curriculum offered through the University College. It is focused around teaching students skills needed in working with non-profit agencies.

The Institute's purpose was to educate students seeking non-profit certification in the operations of a non-profit organization. Students spent four days learning grant writing, strategic planning, fund raising and business etiquette skills.

Students were also able to interview for an internship with non-profits organizations such as Easter Seals, Special Olympics, YMCA and the Boys and Girls Club.

Students Wes Breeden, Kyle Davis, Rob Morgan, Chuck McBee, Molly Beech, Erin Dudley, Marissa Fernbaugh, Judy Daniels, Renee Meyers and Keli Ourso attended the conference. University College Dean Sue Weaver and University College staff person David Deggs attended the trip as sponsors from the university.

The group represented NSU among national universities like Arizona State, Duke and the University of Houston.

University crew begins spring training

By Amy Walmsley
Sauce Reporter

The Northwestern State University rowing team officially began its spring season early Tuesday morning with its first practice of the season.

The rowing team, which also competes in the fall semester, is preparing for their first competition of the spring semester in Atlanta on Feb. 9. This competition, which is called an ergometer race, takes place not in boats but on a stationary rowing machine according to their weight classifications.

Head rowing coach Alan Pasch is particularly excited about this competition because it is the first time in about seven years that NSU has competed in an erg race.

The rowing team also plans to hold several fund raisers in the future in order to help pay for a new dock.

Pasch said floods damaged the old dock last semester. While Pasch said they were able to patch the old dock, he also said that a new dock would definitely be needed in the future.



Photo by Glenn Ward
Crew members prepare for the spring season by attaching the rigors to the boat.

Pasch said his goal for this semester is to get the team a little more grounded, which will hopefully improve their competition. The rowing team is scheduled to compete March 9, April 6, and at the Southeastern Intercollegiate Rowing Association on April 20 and 21.

Like 'Magic'

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one-tenth of Magic's signal power, would be its competition.

"The biggest thing they do here (at Magic) is that they play commercial and they're going to lock in that mainstream audience," Williams said. "(KNWD) can play mainstream and also underground ... so it's like both of them are going to be able to do what they do well."

Instead, Williams said urban stations in Shreveport and Alexandria, which occasionally break into Natchitoches' airwaves, pose the only threats - and weak threats at that - to 106.5's dominance.

"Where else can people get a better signal from here in Natchitoches and the surrounding area as well?" Williams said.

KNWD DJ and freshman theater major Chris Breithaupp echoed Williams' philosophy.

"Everybody needs their music to listen to," Breithaupp said, even though he also said he personally didn't like Magic's format.

Sophomore business administration major Philip Cooley said a station like Magic was badly needed in Natchitoches and was surprised to know one was in town.

"Yeah, I'd probably listen to it," Cooley said.

Corrections

The Current Sauce incorrectly reported last week that the family of LaDonna Rachal was living with her brother-in-law until their new house is built. The family is staying at a church house.

Attention **Sauce***Words* fans: *The Current Sauce* regrets the printing error that caused last week's **Sauce***Words* puzzle to be unreadable. We have fixed the problem, and you will be able to enjoy the **Sauce***Words* puzzle this week in its normal place in the **Sauce***Life* Section

We apologize for the inconvenience.

Loan checks

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refund will receive their checks through the mail. The actual refunding process is a computer process. The printing and mailing of checks is done by hand in the Business Affairs Office," Motter said.

Checks are printed on Tuesday and Thursday nights and mailed out on Wednesdays and Fridays.

"We are dealing with thousands of students and thousands of dollars so we must check to make sure that everything is in place prior to mailing out refunds," Motter said.

Motter said they are expecting to process the first refunds on Friday night. If students wish to receive additional financial aid, Motter said they should fill out an additional loan application in the financial aid office.

Students who receive overpayments will be notified by telephone and mail, and their student account will be charged for the amount of overpayment.

The next deadline for financial aid is for summer loan applications on March 15. Students who completed the FASFA worksheet for the fall 2001 and spring/summer 2002 semesters are still current in the system.

"Start filling out the FAFSA applications for Fall 2002 and Spring/Summer 2003 now," Motter said.

The Federal Education System prefers for students to fill out their FASFA forms on the Internet at www.fasfa.edu.gov. There will be a limited number of paper FASFA forms issued to schools.

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National Panhellenic Council

The **National Panhellenic Council** will sponsor a mixer on Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the Student Union Ballroom. Anyone interested in attending should e-mail Tomiceana Goodnight at tgood2@hotmail.com.

First Baptist College Lunch and Bible Study

The **First Baptist Church of Natchitoches** will have a free lunch and bible study every Sunday following their 11 a.m. service. The First Baptist Church of Natchitoches is located on 508 Second St.

International Student Exchange Program

ISEP will have an informational meeting for students interested in studying abroad on Wednesday at 3 p.m. in the Cane River Room of the Student Union. Coffee, cookies and punch will be served. For more information call Frank Schicketanz at 357-4566.

SAB

The **SAB** will be holding elections for five representative-at-large spots and residential representatives for Bossier and Dodd Halls. Interested students may pick up applications in Room 214 of the Student Union from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. today and tomorrow. Applications are due no later than 4:30 p.m. tomorrow. At-large positions are open to anyone, but applicants must reside in either Bossier or Dodd to apply for the residential positions.

Catholic Student Organization

The **CSO** will hold a Bible study every Tuesday at 8 p.m. at the center. Everyone is welcome. There will also be a praise and worship service Wednesday. For any information call Amy Dowden at 352-2615 or send an e-mail to amyburson@hotmail.com.

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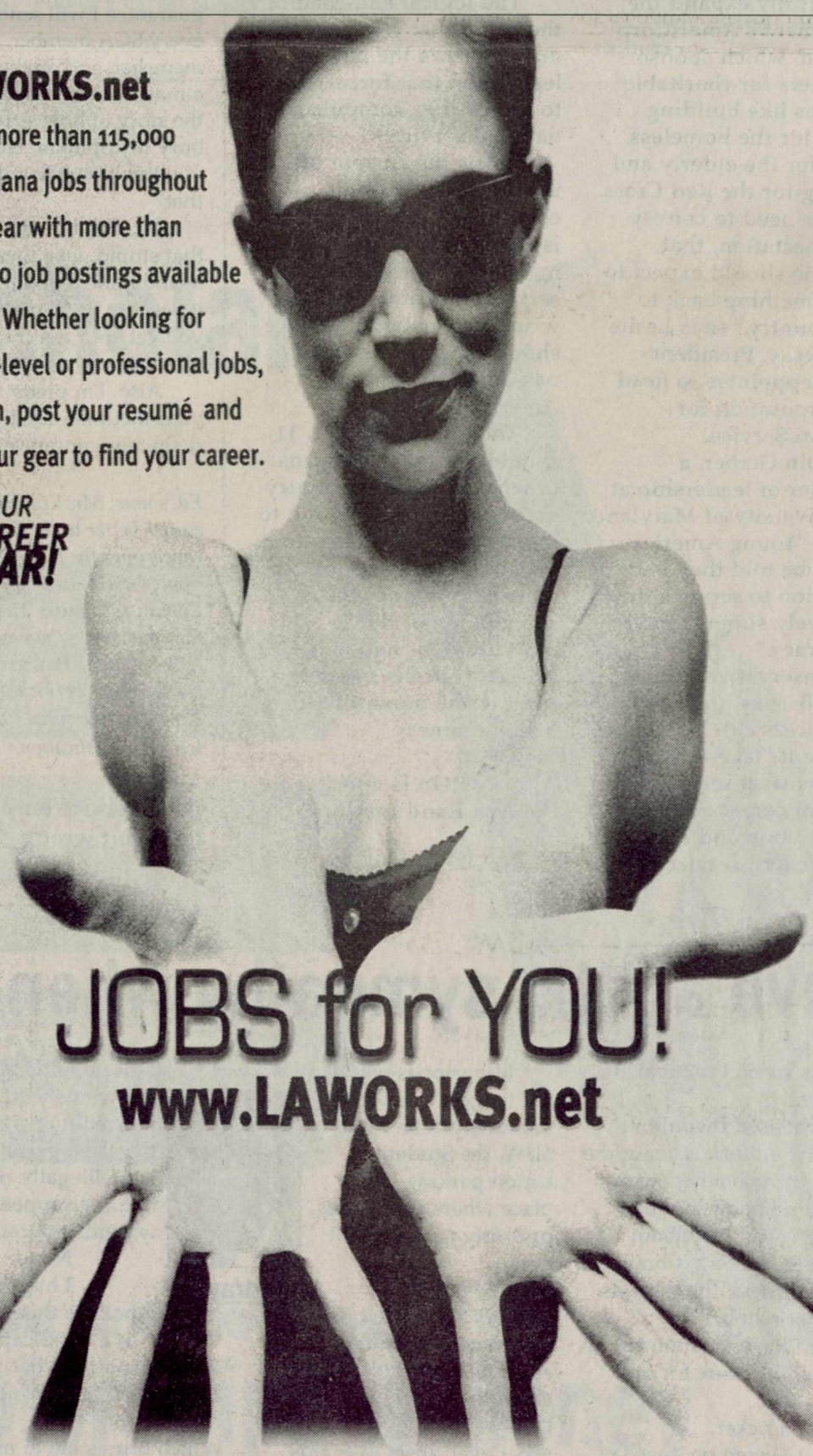
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Bill to make universities force community service is 'un-American'

Alex Epstein
Columnist

As America fights terrorism abroad, a different threat against our way of life is emerging domestically.

But while the terrorists openly proclaim their hatred for America, this foe is more insidious: it masquerades as a defender of American values while campaigning to destroy them.

America's newest enemy is the "national service" movement-- a movement President Bush plans to endorse in his State of the Union Address.

Many intellectuals and politicians have responded to Sept. 11 by calling for a commitment by American citizens to "national service." Heralding "the responsibilities of active citizenship," Sens. John McCain and Evan Bayh recently introduced the Call to Service Act.

This bill would force universities to increase student participation in community service programs and would dramatically expand the government's AmeriCorp program, which sponsors volunteers for charitable activities like building houses for the homeless, caring for the elderly and working for the Red Cross.

"We need to convey this expectation, that everyone should expect to give something back to their country," says Leslie Lenkowsky, President Bush's appointee to head the Corporation for National Service.

Robin Gerber, a professor of leadership at the University of Maryland, writes: "Young Americans should be told they have an obligation to serve, a duty to actively support their democracy."

Conservative writer David Brooks praises national-service legislation because it "takes kids out of the normal self-obsessed world of career and consumption and orients them toward service and citizenship."

This collectivist belief in the supremacy of the group over the individual is the foundation of the national-service ideology, which regards the individual as a servant to the nation. And the proponents of "duty" to the state, although they claim to be patriots, are espousing a view that is fundamentally un-American.

America was founded on the principle of individualism: the idea that each individual is a sovereign being with the moral right to his own life and to the achievement of his own goals. This is the basis of the political idea, enshrined in our Declaration of Independence, that the individual possesses inalienable rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

American individualism and freedom are incompatible with the notion that people are servants who owe their lives, or any part of them, to the state.

The logical end-road of the belief that you have a duty to serve the nation is legislation that forces you to do so-- i.e., compulsory national service.

While the current bill includes only a small compulsory component, it is a step in the direction of mandatory, universal service. McCain and Bayh write that "national service should one day be a rite of passage for young Americans."

The attacks of Sept. 11 should remind Americans of what makes our country great; its proud devotion to individualism and freedom.

To defend America, we must embrace not the subjugation of the individual to "national service," but his sovereign right to the pursuit of his own happiness.

Alex Epstein is a writer for the Ayn Rand Institute



Letters to the Editor

Reader threatens to 'chew the ass' of *Sauce* editor

M. Lance Kracklyn Jr.
Senior

Mr. Hill, Why do yuou need to "verify" my identification. I have sent you an opinion and according to last weeks edition you are in need of opinions from students, so print the opinion I have sent you.

Are you afraid that I am hitting a little too close to the truth? Or I'll put it to you this way, Mr. Hill. If you do not print my e-mail, I guarantee I will send it to every SGA member, faculty memeber, and anybody else's e-mail I can find along with the story of how you tried to bury my opinion. How do you think people will take that?

Mr. Hill I doubt you are that stupid. Don't walk in to a land mine if you can avoid it because I will make sure you get your ass chewed out by someone.

Also, I'm pretty sure that your methods are illegal and definitely impratical.

Ed.'s note: Mr. Kracklyn sent an earlier Letter to the Editor concerning the lack of minority head football coach applicants. Procedure requires The Current Sauce to verify the names of all letters. After The Current Sauce ask for name verification, Mr. Kracklyn submitted the previous letter for publication.

Food service employees 'give out wrong information' to reader

Tiffany Trichell
Junior

Employees of this university's eatery services should be taught that giving out false information, even if it is an attempt to help students, about the quality of the meat served at certain locations can be harmful.

My friends and I entered Le Rendezvous to enjoy our first evening meal together since the beginning of the new semester. As one of my friends checked out a hamburger at the register, the cashier enthusiastically went on to tell my friends and I that the freezer that holds the hamburger meat had gone out and and the hamburgers were not any good.

After a short interview with the manager of Le Rendezvous, it was explained to me that the hamburger meat was not spoiled nor was it unfrozen. Upon finding the defrosting freezer, the still-frozen hamburger meat was immediately transported to Iberville dining hall. It was kept there until the freezer was repaired. At no time was the meat handled, unthawed, or even taken out of the box in which it was stored.

The cashier who informed my friends and I of this potentially spoiled meat no doubt had our best interest at heart. It is just a shame that her act of kindness only resulted in the diminishing sale of hamburgers for the first week of the semester instead of preventing an increase of illness due to food poisoning.

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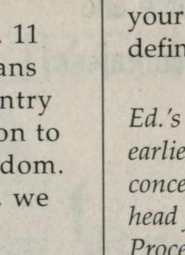
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Editor's Take

Have a little sympathy when issuing residents parking tickets



Rondray Hill
Editor's Take

This week, I'm breaking a promise.

I promised I wouldn't write any editorials about the parking problem here at our beloved school. I said that parking is bad just about anywhere, and our situation is, more or less, the same as any other school.

But I have to comment on this pressing issue for one reason only.

I got a ticket.

I got tagged on Tuesday. No big news there. I've gotten tickets before, and this latest university love note won't be the last.

My gripe is why I got tagged. I parked in university zone PA SUW, the Student Union parking lot, a place where your car is probably parked right now.

I've parked illegally before. I always pay my fines and I've never complained about being ticketed when I've been in the wrong. But was I ever upset over this ticket.

I'm upset about this ticket for two reasons. First, while one of our police officers left a note on my windshield, I noticed that six cars in the same parking lot were illegally parked in handicapped spaces, without citations.

None.

I happen to believe that parking in a handicapped spot, no matter what zone, is far worse that parking in the wrong zone.

Which brings me to my next point. I was ticketed for parking in the wrong zone. I have a University Columns hang tag, while the SU parking lot is a commuter zone.

What, you didn't know that?

Yes, your car is probably illegally parked in a commuter zone right now!

So I did a little research. Did you know that of the 44 parking lots designated for NSU, only 14 are available for resident parking? 68% of parking lots are reserved for someone other than a resident student.

Should the motto of NSU be changed to "where some students come first?"

Should commuter students have priority parking? Yes. We all agree that someone who drives an hour to school everyday needs to have a parking spot.

But on a campus where the resident student foots the bill for most of the expenses of NSU, shouldn't resident students be able to decide for themselves whether they want to ride or walk?

I'm not asking for NSU to do the knock down Varnado to build more parking lots. I'm not asking for teachers to give up their parking spots. I have no sympathy for a student who's late to class because she couldn't drive from the Sabine parking lot to Russell Hall on time. Park in a handicapped spot, get towed. Park in a no-parking spot, get written up. Don't ask for The Current Sauce to write an article.

All I'm asking for is a little common sense. Let some of the residents park in commuter areas sometimes. Not all the time. Just on rainy days.

Please?

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The cure to boredom



NSU Student Ben Cavin, a worker at the Parkway Cinema begins the process of setting up the camera in order to prepare the projector for the screening of "Kate and Leopold." Going out to the movies is just one of the many things the Natchitoches area offers for entertainment.

Photo by Callie Reames

A daily dose of what to do in Natchitoches

Callie Reames
Staff Writer

Some people say there is nothing to do in the small town of Natchitoches.

Some say there isn't fun to be had unless you are into the club scene.

There are, however, things to do in Natchitoches on every day of the week.

This seven part series on a week of fun in Natchitoches will highlight some of the good times to be found.

Starting the week off at church might not be what everyone likes to do, but for those that are looking to feed their spirits, check out some of Natchitoches' many houses of worship.

First Baptist Church on 2nd Street has a free college lunch and bible study following their 11 a.m. service.

On Mondays, Country Lanes Bowling is open until 10 p.m. Games cost $3.25 each, and shoe rental adds 1.75.

Tuesdays at Parkway Cinema are student discount days. A Tuesday movie ticket costs $4 instead of the regular $6.

On Wednesday evenings, the Wesley Foundation and Catholic Student Organization get things started at 6:30 p.m. Following the CSO service is a free meal. The Baptist Collegiate Ministry begins its service at 8:31 p.m.

An NSU improvisational acting troupe performs at the Pioneer Pub every other Wednesday night.

On Thursday nights, club-hop to the Pinnacle and the Student Body which are open until 2 a.m.

Friday night is 80s night at Yesterday's, and its Ladies Night at Illuminations.

The week can end on Saturday with a walk in the woods. The Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry's District 6 location is about a mile from campus on Highway 6. They offer a couple miles of trails through heavily wooded rolling terrain.

"It's a good little walk," Forestry Parish Supervisor Dan Armstrong said.

5 Ways to protect your skin *this Winter*

Knight Ridder Newspapers

Here are five quick ways to protect your skin this winter:

-Use a humidifier to increase the amount of water in the air in your home or workplace.

-Limit your showers to no more than 15 minutes, and use lukewarm water.

-Apply a moisturizer to your skin while it's still wet after you've showered or washed your hands.

-Seek out moisturizing products that contain alpha or poly hydroxy acids, and humectants such as vitamin B-5.

-Drink lots of water, and eat plenty of oily fish such as tuna and salmon.

Get outta here! Americans reject Bin Laden fashion line

By Alev Aktar
New York Daily News

New York always extends a lifeline to up-and-coming fashion brands, but there's one label that's dead on arrival. It's called Bin Ladin.

Osama Bin Laden's half-brother Yeslam Binladin is planning to introduce a sportswear collection bearing his last name _ the same as that of America's most-wanted terrorist. Although no date has been set, the affordably priced line will be unveiled first in Arab countries, next in Europe, with a possible U.S. launch to follow.

The future fashion exec, a Geneva-based businessman, issued a statement denouncing the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks and says he hasn't seen his murderous sibling in more than a decade.

While he would not discuss his new endeavor with the press, his Swiss lawyer, Juerg Brand, downplayed the public relations problem. "The name is one of the most famous names in the world," Brand told The Wall Street Journal. "We think that people are able to distinguish between Osama and the rest of the family."

Retailers here aren't so sure.

"We're always eager to look at new and emerging talent," said Saks Fifth Avenue spokesman Michael Macko, "but it would be difficult to find a buyer to do a go-see. And I can only imagine where the showroom is."

"In all seriousness," he added, "we would never even consider carrying this line. There's so much hatred for (Osama) Bin Laden in this country."

"We have no interest and no comment," said Simon Doonan, the normally chatty creative director for Barneys New York.

Beth Buccini, co-owner of trendy SoHo boutique Kirna Zabete, also reacted badly to the idea. "The name alone has such horrific vibes that it's not something we would be interested in carrying," she said.

Jeffrey Kalinsky, owner of the hip Manhattan boutique Jeffrey, said he wouldn't even look at the line: "I would not do business with that family. It ain't gonna happen."

As for coverage in glossy fashion magazines, Glamour editor-in-chief Cindi Leive said she doubts there will be much. "To most Americans, it would be a pretty malevolent and disgusting brand," she said. "Bottom line: My reader's not going to buy it."

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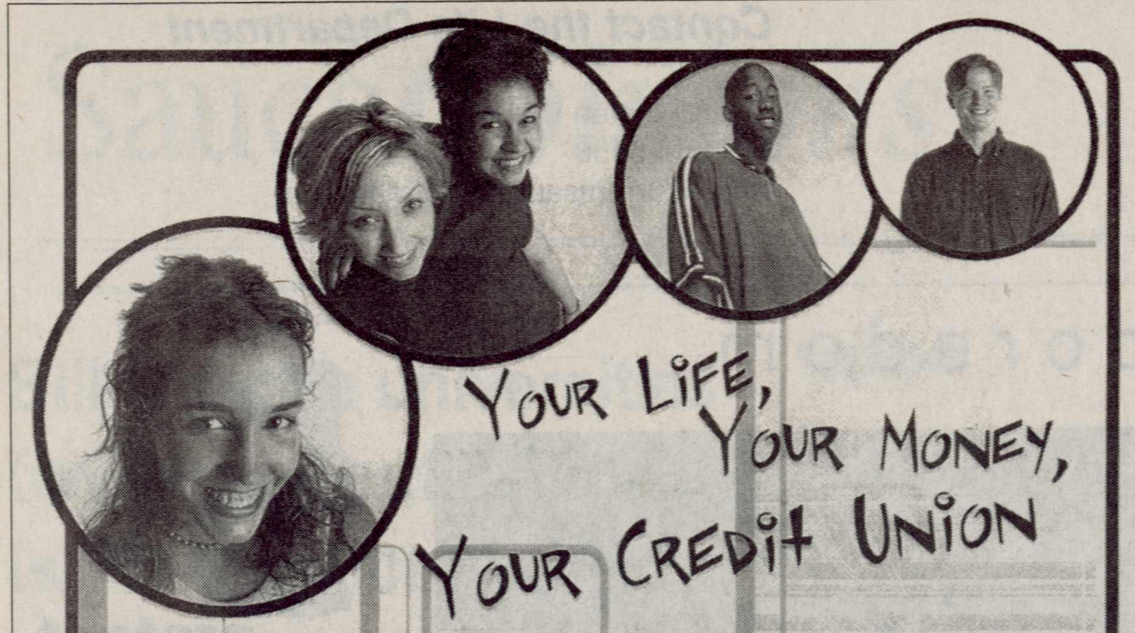
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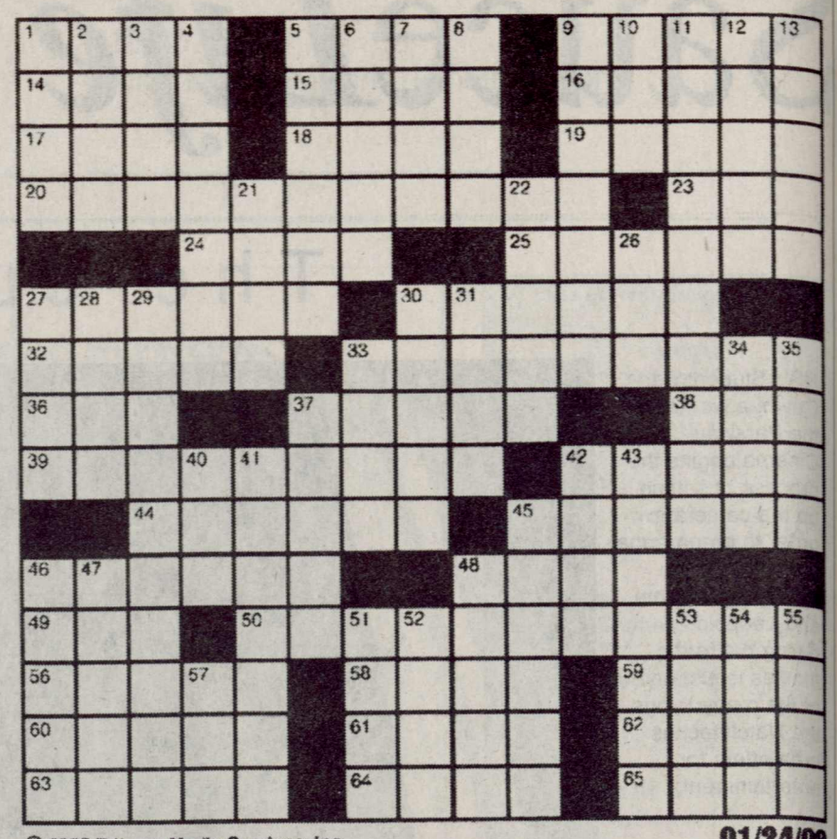
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Demon forward Angela Davidson has played a critical role in helping the Lady Demons secure a spot atop the Southland conference standings. They hope to continue their winning ways versus Sam Houston Saturday.

Demons on fire

Lady Demons destroy SWT 67-52, add another piece to conference playoff puzzle

By Jeremy Pace
Sauce Reporter

Monday night at Prather Coliseum the Lady Demons put another piece of the puzzle in place with their 67-52 win against the Southwest Texas State Lady Bobcats. Angela Davidson exploded for eleven of her seventeen points in the second half and extended the Northwestern State lead.

To win the best position in the Southland conference tournament the Lady Demons must have the best record in the Southland. To make it to the NCAA Tournament they must first win the Southland conference tournament. Every team, big or small is part of the puzzle.

Jami Callais, Anna Means, La'Terrica Dobin and Angela Davidson all hit on an array of jumpers. Key rebounds by Emily Huey and Tiffany Hall turned into transition baskets and second chance points.

After Southwest Texas jumped out to a 6-0 lead in the first four minutes of the game the Lady Demons responded with superior play on both sides of the court.

The Lady Bobcats depended on their inside game but had no real response for the strong play of NSU. After coming back from the early deficit the Lady Demons headed into the locker room with a 31-20 lead.

The Lady Demons came out of the halftime break with the same aggressive play that gave them their eleven point lead. eighteen. Southwest Texas drew within eight at one point with 12:48 left in the second half but the stifling defense of the Lady Demons created turnovers and eventually shut the door on the Lady Bobcats. Davidson closed out the game with three rebounds, Anna Means chipped in with eight points and three rebounds.

Dobin led the Lady Demons in scoring with

Up Next

Lady Demons vs. Sam Houston

2 p.m.
Prather Coliseum

The hottest team in the conference plays tonight vs. Lamar

By Janie Warren
Sauce Reporter

After six straight wins, the Demon basketball team is anxious to take on Lamar University.

Head Basketball Coach Mike McConathy said he looks forward to the game against Lamar tonight, scheduled for 6:30. "We have to come and be prepared to play," McConathy said. McConathy also explained that Lamar (8-8, 5-2 SLC) shoots and rebounds well.

Coach McConathy said he was pleased with each of the players and their hard work on the court. McConathy said that the team is playing smart and they noticed factors that will help keep them in the Lamar game. "Chris Lynch has learned to take things as they are when he's on the court, like drive the goal when it's necessary," McConathy said.

The Demons (8-9, 5-2 SLC) were victorious against Southwest Texas last Thursday with a final score of 90-63. Then, on the following Saturday, the team beat Texas San Antonio 88-86. Senior guard Michael Byars-Dawson said that he enjoyed the competition.

"We just knew we had a good run," Byars said. "UTSA played a good game, and they shot 70 percent in the first half."

Sophomore center D'or Fischer had nine blocks against UTSA. Fischer said that while he is second in leading the nation in blocking shots, he knows that he must still play hard.

While Fischer feels confident about the game tonight, he knows that he and his teammates must go in with a positive attitude. "I don't feel nervous at all. It's a battle, and we look forward to every game."

Up Next

Lady Demons vs. Sam Houston

Tonight 6:30 p.m.
Prather Coliseum

Byars-Dawson named Louisiana Player of *the* Week; second Demon to receive honor

Northwestern State senior guard Michael Byars-Dawson has been named "Player of the Week" for men's basketball by the Southland Conference and the Louisiana Sports Writers Association after helping extend the Demons' winning streak to six with a pair of victories last week.

The Demons, tied for the lead in the loss column in the conference race with a 5-2 mark, play two key SLC home games this week, Thursday evening at 6:30 against Lamar and Saturday afternoon at 4 against Sam Houston State. Northwestern, 8-9 overall, can post the longest winning streak since 1974 with a victory over Lamar, which handed the Demons an 82-65 defeat on Dec. 29 in Beaumont.

Byars-Dawson, the Most Valuable Player last March in the Demons' drive to the Southland Conference Tournament championship, sparked Northwestern to a 90-63 win over Southwest Texas State and an 88-86 triumph over preseason SLC favorite Texas-San Antonio. The 5-11 Fort Worth native averaged 19 points, 6 rebounds, 4.5 assists and 4.5 steals while shooting 46.4 percent (13-28) from the field and 81.8 percent (9-11) on free throws last week.

While contributing 25 points, 8 rebounds, 7 assists and 5 steals in a rally from a 16-point deficit to defeat UTSA Saturday, Byars-Dawson had the game-winning free throws with 1:10 remaining after hitting a layup 40 seconds earlier to erase the Roadrunners' final lead. He drew a charging foul with 5.3 seconds left that helped deny a potential tying basket.

A former Fort Worth Star-Telegram "Metro Player of the Year" at Dunbar High School, Byars-Dawson leads the Demons with a 16.6 scoring average and is shooting 37 percent on 3-pointers (36-97). He tops the team with 37 steals after tying the school single-game record last season with 8 steals at Southwest Texas State.

He ranks fifth in the SLC in scoring, second in steals and seventh in 3-point field goals per game (2.1).

Byars-Dawson is the second Demon player in as many weeks to win both awards. Senior forward Chris Lynch earned the honors last week.

Stoker hires Mason, Harper as new offensive, defensive coordinators

New Northwestern State football coach Scott Stoker has hired two more of his former coaching colleagues, naming J.C. Harper as assistant head coach and defensive coordinator and Darryl Mason as offensive coordinator on the Demon coaching staff.

The appointments of Harper and Mason, announced Wednesday afternoon by Stoker, are contingent upon approval by the Board of Supervisors of the University of Louisiana system. Harper was defensive line coach at McNeese State for the past three years. Mason was receivers coach at Louisiana-Monroe last year after serving in the same position for five seasons at Northwestern (1990-93, 2000).

Stoker, a record-shattering quarterback for the Demons from 1986-89 who had a 93-51 record as a defensive and offensive assistant at McNeese (1994-2001) and Northwestern (1990-93), was hired by NSU director of athletics Greg Burke on Jan. 7. Stoker replaced Steve Roberts, who left Dec. 21 after a 14-9 record in two seasons to coach in his home state at Arkansas State, and took nine Demon assistant coaches with him.

Harper worked with Stoker at McNeese in the past three seasons, coaching the defensive line while Stoker served as defensive coordinator for the Cowboys in the last two years. Mason worked with Stoker at Northwestern from 1990-93 as receivers coach under Sam Goodwin, and returned to NSU for the 2000 season working under Roberts before moving to ULM for the 2001 season.

Mason, 41, joins John Nagle and Chris Truax on the Demons' offensive staff. Mason and Truax coached together last year at ULM. Mason will handle the receivers, Nagle running backs and Truax the offensive line said Stoker, who will work with the quarterbacks.

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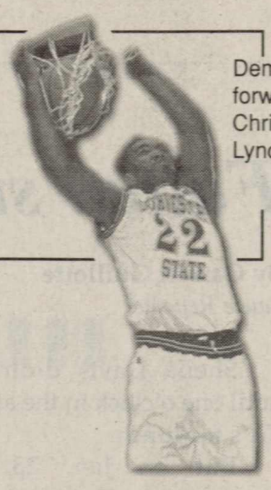
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Demon forward Chris Lynch

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Sauce Briefs

Natchitoches free concert series set for Friday

The Natchitoches Main Street Program will present the first in a series of free downtown concerts as part of the Brown Bag Downtown Music Series on Friday from noon until 1 p.m.

The Brown Bag Downtown Music Series are free concerts in downtown Natchitoches that will feature various types of music styles such as gospel, jazz, and rhythm and blues.

The first concert in this series will feature the Abundant Life Mass Choir, led by the Rev. Aill Harris and Minister of Music Alleana Harris.

Campti woman pleads guilty to vehicular homicide

Mary Laverne Wren, 49, of Campti, pled guilty Monday prior to the start of her scheduled jury trial to two counts of Vehicular Homicide, according to District Attorney Van H. Kyzar.

Wren was charged after a fatal vehicle accident which occurred on July 18, 2001, on Grappe's Bluff Road in the Fairview-Alpha Community. Wren faces up to 20 years in prison and a $15,000 fine.

Steeg named University Foundation president

Melba L. Steeg of New Orleans has been selected as president of the Northwestern State University Foundation.

The NSU Foundation is a non-profit corporation responsible for assisting areas of the university not supported by state dollars. It was established to serve NSU, its students and faculty by raising funds for endowed scholarships, professorships and chairs.

Steeg, an education graduate of NSU, has been an active supporter of the university and has served on the Foundation Board.

She is president of Investing and Developing, Inc., a commercial and residential real estate developing and financing corporation.

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By Britton Faucon
Sauce Reporter

The 44th Lady of the Bracelet pageant is scheduled to take place on Friday in A.A. Fredericks auditorium at 7:30 p.m.

Admission is free for NSU students with a valid ID. General admission is $5.

There are 10 young ladies entering the pageant: Amanda Crain, Makesha Gallien, Shameka Gray, Ashlee Greber, Halie Lucky, Cecile Mengue, Callie Reames, Blair Rohner, Jennifer Sledd, and Laura Terrell.

The Lady of the Bracelet pageant is a 43-year-old tradition at NSU. The 1982 competition was held in the fall and the spring resulting in this being the 44th actual competition. It first began in the early 1920s and was sponsored by the Potpourri, NSU's yearbook. However, the first crowned Lady of the Bracelet was not until 1958 with Kahne Dipoala claiming the title.

Beginning with Dipoala's win, a solid gold bracelet was passed on to each year's winner to be worn as a symbol of NSU's tradition.

Each year a charm is added to this bracelet containing the engraved name of the Lady of the Bracelet winner for that year. The bracelet that is used today has been in NSU's possession since 1971,

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Photo by Glenn Ward

The 2002 Lady of the Bracelet contestants pause long enough to pose for a picture during one of this week's many practices. The contestants are: (standing from left) Halie Lucky, Jennifer Sledd, Callie Reames, Makesha Gallien, Shameka Gray, Cecile Mengue; (kneeling from left) Laura Terrell, Amanda Crain, and Blair Rohner (Ashlee Greber not pictured).

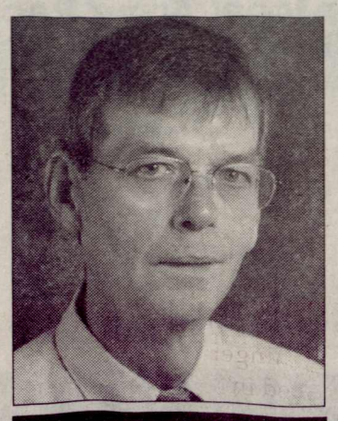
'I like Aich.'; University professor announces candidacy

By Rob Morgan
Sauce Reporter

Louisiana's gubernatorial race has added another runner to its already swarming league of political jockeys.

Northwestern State University's own professor of political science, Alex Aichinger, announced his intent to run in the 2003 election.

"I am trying to get the word out, which is weary," Aichinger said. "I'm not a full-time politician. I can't go in and tell my chairman I'm going down to Baton Rouge today, call off my classes."



Aichinger

His announcement has not fallen on deaf ears.

"Several people, including students, have offered any kind of assistance they could provide," Aichinger said.

The potential governor's platform is based on reforming the current view of politicians as perceived by Louisiana citizens.

"I was struck by the fact that many of the students were simply outraged in some sense, amused in many, as to what these people are doing," Aichinger said. "This disingenuous behavior that public officials in Louisiana tend to portray; let's see if we can not necessarily put a stop to it ... but maybe just expose this.

"Maybe what we should do is give every citizen of Louisiana a copy of *The Emperor's New Clothes*. Then they could point to public officials and say, 'Hey, you're naked!' I don't see any finery, any robes of gold and silver."

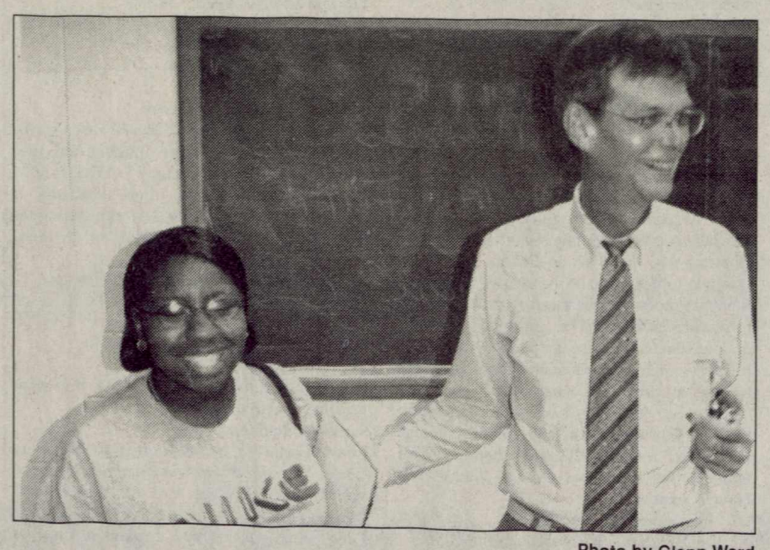


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Alzena Phillips (left) stops for a moment after class to chuckle for a moment with Alex Aichinger (right) about his previous lecture on the lack of quality in state government.

Aichinger wants the politicians to "be a little bit more honest with the people, be a little bit more forthcoming with what is going on."

Aichinger said he is interested in education, but he admits it is a tricky subject.

"To say, 'Yeah, I'm for education, I'm going to improve education,' is fine. The question is, how are you going to do it given the burdens that have been placed on the educational system," Aichinger said.

Lieutenant Governor Kathleen Blanco, United States Representative Billy Tauzin, Attorney General Richard Ieyoub and Treasurer John Kennedy would be Aichinger's competition for the office of governor. According to a survey on Shreveweb.com Blanco has 22 percent of the vote followed by Tauzin with 14 percent and Ieyoub with 10 percent.

"Every so often I have visions of H. Ross Perot and the volunteers, people rallying. The chances of that happening are slim, although it is possible ... some stranger things have happened in politics," Aichinger said.

Act of kindness

Fallen student receives help from bystanders

By Garrett Guillotte
Sauce Reporter



Photo by Garrett Guillotte
Last week Crystal Yost (seated center) was struck by a vehicle when she crossed Sam Sibley Drive. Yost received help from many onlookers after the accident. Shelia Davis, a freshman special education major, was one of the first on the scene to assist Yost.

Sheila Davis didn't usually wait until one o'clock in the afternoon to go to Vic's for lunch.

But on Jan. 23, as Davis, a Northwestern State University freshman special education major, and two of her friends were walking for a late bite to eat, the unimaginable happened.

A car struck Crystal Yost, a fellow NSU freshman, just ahead of her in the Sam Sibley crosswalk.

"I just froze," Davis said. "I didn't know what to do, I just stood there. Everybody froze."

"It hit her legs and she flew up," Davis recalled. "It was like in slow motion."

And when Crystal fell to the ground, Davis said she and her friends knew they had to help.

"We were telling Crystal to sit down because we didn't know if she had broken bones or anything," Davis said. She said one of her friends asked to borrow the cell phone from the car's driver, identified by university police at the scene as NSU student Psymeko Deans, and Davis remembered the phone number for campus police.

"We have this sticker in our room that says for emergencies call 5431," Davis said.

Within a minute of the accident, Davis and her friends had notified university police, who quickly responded. Crystal, a general studies major, didn't appear seriously injured and remained conscious, but Davis said she and her friends stayed close to console her amidst the growing attention from nearby students.

Davis said that with the help of Crystal's friend and roommate Breanna Martin, she was able to find Crystal's professors to tell them what was happening, and held on to Crystal's books while she was taken to Natchitoches Parish Hospital for precautionary X-rays.

"It's just second nature," Davis said. "I'm from Baton Rouge, I'm a Christian, and I'm a special education major. I just love helping people."

"You never know what you're going to do until you're in that situation."

NSU infirmary nurse Lisa Thomas, one of the campus staff who went to the accident scene, said Crystal's accident was part of a busy day for the campus safety staff.

"We had three emergencies that same day," Thomas said.

Thomas said Crystal was shaken up but didn't appear seriously physically injured in the accident.

"She just didn't have them (friends) at her disposal to bring her to the hospital," Thomas said. "So we called the ambulance and they picked her up."

Crystal said doctors had told her tissue in her knee was torn and said she might need surgery if it hadn't healed in three weeks. While she does have medicines to help ease her pain, Crystal said some of them cause drowsiness and that she can't take those during the day.

"I just kind of wobble around without medicine," Crystal said.

Jina Yost, Crystal's mother, said she wanted to thank everyone who helped at the scene, and particularly Davis, for their attention.

"She just went above and beyond," Jina said.

However, Jina was also upset that Deans was not cited.

"My daughter got umpteen (parking) tickets," Jina said. "Nobody's going to die from parking."

Jina said that she was not seeking revenge, but instead wanted campus police to send students a message - "If you don't slow down," Jina said, "you'll get a ticket."

"I'd rather my daughter not be a speed bump," Jina said. "They (university officials) need to take responsibility in ensuring the kids' safety."

Prescott said only NSU police officer Mario Parris, the first officer on the scene of the accident, could explain why no citation was issued. Parris could not be reached for comment by press time.

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when the pageant became an official preliminary to the Miss Louisiana competition. The whereabouts of the original bracelet and charms are unknown.

Since 1971, many of the winners of the Lady of the Bracelet have been selected as top-five and top-ten finalist winners in the Miss Louisiana competition. The 1980 Miss Lady of the Bracelet Zina Curlee was chosen as the first-runner up in the Miss Louisiana competition.

Reigning Lady of the Bracelet Kristen Holley has been working this past year on self-esteem awareness for youth. She taught seventh and eighth grade girls about conflict management and violence through the Boys and Girls club in Natchitoches.

Holley won Miss Congeniality at the Miss Louisiana competition and, in retrospect, said, "I think the biggest thing to remember is how much my spiritual life grew. I couldn't depend on my own knowledge [to win], so I had to depend on God."

Beginning last semester, the contestants prepared for the Friday competition by attending workshops every two weeks. These workshops focused on helping them with beauty, fitness, and forming their platform issue. The contestants came together as one group for the first time during rehearsals, which were held from Jan. 27-31.

The contestants will compete in the eveningwear, talent, and swimsuit competitions. Miss Louisiana Kati Guyton will serve as the mistress of ceremonies for the evening.

Entertainment will be provided by the NSU jazz band, Lady of the Bracelet Dancers, and Demon Dazzlers.

"I believe we put on the best preliminary in the state," Carl Henry, the Student Union Governing Board chairman, said. "We are not only putting on a preliminary, but we are also putting on a show."

The winner of the Miss Northwestern Lady of the Bracelet receives a full scholarship to NSU and will compete for the Miss Louisiana title. The majority of this year's contestants said they have not competed before this pageant.

Regardless of the outcome, contestant Amanda Crain believes that she has gained skills that can be used in any job.

Every year five or six NSU women pursue the Miss Louisiana title. Kristen Holley reflected on her year as Miss Northwestern Lady of the Bracelet. "No matter what, G has a plan. No crown or trop can symbolize that."

Minutes 01-28-02

I. Call to Order- 7:00 p.m.
The prayer was lead by Beau Boudreaux. The pledge was lead by Stacie Cosby.
Roll Call

Present
Leanna Anderson
Beau Boudreaux
Rusty Broussard
Buster Carlisle
Greg Comeaux
Stacie Cosby
Dustin Floyd
Jennifer Fox
Jana Freeman
Sarah Griffith
Liz Hughes
Luke Hutchison
Jennifer Jensen
Sharmyn Little
Jeremy Malmay
Scott Manguno
Dustin Matthews
Mindy McConnell
Adam Pennell
Zack Pulliam
Cade Strong
Jade Thibideaux
Frank Toro
Torrey Washington
Travis Williams

Absent
Samantha Jo Foley
Will Hooper
Sally Lizanna
Linzie Ledford
Patrick Peoples

II. Executive Reports
Treasurer- Frank Toro
Welcome. Look over the budget, see me if you have any questions. As far as the phone goes, I am still waiting for a call back. There is a change in Club Sports. Scott is no longer the head of the committee. Zack Pulliam has agreed to take over. We need two people to sign up for Fiscal.
Vice President -Dustin Matthews
Welcome back and good luck with your classes this semester. Election dates are March 11-15. Run-offs will be April 17th and 18th. Please sign up for committees if interested. Also, please keep Katie McKellar in your prayers.
Adam Pennell enters the room
President - Rusty Broussard
Rusty welcomed all our guest to the meeting. The lab is up and running. Sarah will become Chairman of the Election Board, and Justin Owen volunteered to be the vice. The Election Review Process will be meeting this Thursday to finalize changes. The computers are back on line, however please use them maturely for purposes such as research and bills. You have to log in and out when you use these computers. There will be am organization meeting February 7th at 3:30. There will also be a STAT meeting the week before Mardi Gras. I will send out e-mails Wednesday. Have a great week.
III. Departmental Reports
Academic Affairs- Stacie Cosby
Department will meet Mondays at 2:00. We are looking into swing and ballroom dancing. The Calendar committee will be picking back up, more info on that later.
External Affairs- Greg Comeaux
Department will be meeting Thursdays at 3:00. Radio Show will be from 9-12 on Tuesdays. We will be having a 'Host meets Senator Day', and also be publicizing the 24-hour computer lab.
Fiscal Affairs- Frank Toro
Discussed Club Sports. Zack Pulliam is in charge of the funds. Fiscal has two more slots to fill, please see Frank Toro. We have $600 set aside for organizational grants. They will be for $250 each and it is by appointment only.
Internal Affairs- Dustin Floyd
Meetings will be Monday at 3:00.
Student Affairs- Buster Carlisle
We need three people for traffic appeals. We will be meeting Monday at 4:00.
SAB Report- Will Hooper
Will was not present.
Advisor's Report- Mr. Henry
Mr. Henry was not here. Luke Dowden spoke for him. T. Ebarb is the new Student Activities Director. Luke is heading up a P.O.P class of 20 students. Please assist these students if needed. There is going to be a trip coming up Feb. 22nd-25th . He discussed the building security problems
Supreme Court Report- Jeremiah Newsom
Justin Owen is to be appointed to the Supreme Court. There is still one open space. Chavon has left, so there is no Class Council.
IV. Old Business
Rusty Broussard swears in Jana Freeman. Jana takes oath of office.
V. New Business
Justin Owen to be appointed to Supreme Court. Stacy Cosby moves to suspend rules of secret ballot. Greg Comeaux seconded. Motion passed by general consent.
Greg Comeaux moved to swear in new Senators Leslie Bean and James Rolf. Stacie Cosby seconded.
Motion passes by a role call vote. Leslie Bean 20-2-0; James Rolf 20-2-0
Senators take the oath of office.
Stacy moves to appoint Justin Owen as Vice Chairman. Greg Comeaux seconded. Motion approved by general consent.
VI. Announcements
You must complete three office hours per week.
The first radio show will be Tuesday from 9-12.
The meeting was adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

Campus Connections

Panhellenic Council

Rho Alpha applications will be available on Monday. Students can pick them up in Room 214 of the Student Union.

Student Government Association

The **SGA** is looking for new members. There are five positions for senator and and one position for supreme court. Students interested in filling these positions should stop by Room 222 of the Student Union.

Counseling and Career Services

The **Office of Counseling and Career Services** has received correspondence of position openings from these businesses: Social Service Specialist I or II, Acadia Parish Foster Care Unit - Acadia Parish; Social Service Specialist I or II, Lafayette Parish Child Protection - Lafayette Parish; Camp Counselors, Coordinators, and Directors, The Girls Vacation Fund - Catskill Mountains. For more information students can stop by the CCS office in Room 305 of the Student Union.

First Baptist Church

The **First Baptist Church** of Natchitoches will have a free lunch and bible study every Sunday following their 11 a.m. service. The First Baptist Church of Natchitoches is located on 508 Second St.

Catholic Student Organization

The **CSO** will have a theology study and faith sharing on Sunday nights at 8 p.m. followed by the 9:30 p.m. Mass. There will be Bible Study every Tuesday night at 8 p.m. The CSO will also have a fellowship every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. followed by a free meal. Everyone is welcome. For more info contact Amy Dowden at 352-2615.

Baptist Collegiate Ministry

The **BCM** will have Wednesday night worship across the street from Watson Library every Wednesday night. The worship begins at 8:31 p.m. All students are welcome to attend. For more information call the BCM at 352-5464.

Circle K International

Circle K International invites students to its meetings every Tuesday night at 8:30 p.m. in Room 320 of the Student Union. For more information call Jessica at 357-5974.

Fellowship Christian Athletes

FCA will be having its weekly fellowship every Tuesday night. The meetings are held in the athletic field house on the south end of Turpin Stadium at 8 p.m. There will be a devotional speaker each week. Everyone is welcome to come and join us in praise

Spanish Club

The **Spanish Club** would like to invite potential members to its meetings every Wednesday at 3 p.m. in Room 331 of Kyser Hall

***To see your Campus Connections in next week's edition of The Current Sauce, drop off your information in the Campus Connection box in Room 225 of Kyser Hall.**

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Column: Federal Work Study programs waste of taxpayer, university money

By Jane Eisner
Philadelphia Inquirer

In any public endeavor, there is the ideal, and then there is the reality.

Amy Reed represents the ideal. The 19-year-old Temple University sophomore from Allentown, Pa., takes a 15-minute subway ride to a South Philadelphia Buddhist Temple once a week to help older Vietnamese immigrants learn English and prepare for citizenship.

"I've grown more through this experience than through anything I've encountered in school," she says.

For her time and effort, Reed is paid $7 an hour. Twenty-five percent of that comes from the university. The other 75 percent is from you and me part of the more than $1 billion of federal money doled out each year to one million work-study students across the nation.

The program was begun in 1965 to "encourage students receiving federal student financial aid to participate in community service activities that will benefit the nation and engender in the students a sense of social responsibility and commitment to the community." Amy Reed is the ideal.

The reality is this: Only a fraction of the nation's colleges and universities comply with the spirit of the law, and some not even with the letter. Neither the bureaucrats in Washington, nor the administrations of many institutes of higher education, have seemed to care.

Instead, most work-study students shelve library books, file papers, hand out gym equipment, or spoon out cafeteria food, providing a steady source of cheap labor on college campuses. Some even work in private companies off campus.

Fortunately, Sens. John McCain, R-Ariz., and Evan Bayh, D-Ind., are trying to bring this program back to basics. Right now, a paltry 7 percent of each college's work-study jobs must be in community service. (That minimum was only 5 percent until last year.) In legislation introduced last month, McCain and Bayh want to raise the floor to 25 percent and aggressively monitor a system that now would get an F for efficiency and enforcement.

Their efforts were given a boost this month by that most powerful of public instruments: exposure.

The feisty Washington Monthly magazine teamed up with Northwestern University's Medilla School of Journalism to sift through the federal records of just about every college and university in the country and published the results.

"What the numbers show," wrote Joshua Green, "is that when it comes to community service, the nation's best schools perform the worst."

Green and his colleagues found that during the 1999-2000 school year many top-notch, well-endowed schools fell below the national average of 11.8 percent and some barely squeaked by the 5 percent minimum. The new McCain-Bayh standard would be as much of a stretch as sending Forrest Gump to Princeton. Certainly, Princeton thinks so.

I wonder whether she can teach that lesson to colleges and universities willing to accept public money but unwilling to apply it to the public good.

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Letters to the Editor

Reader would appreciate more support at Lady Demon basketball games

Tiffany Trichell
Junior

It is a wonder to me why the students at this university continually attend the men's basketball games more than the women's.

Granted, the men are the conference champions, a title that demands a great deal of respect, but the women are working just as hard to attain this goal themselves.

If a student at this university is going to support the basketball team then he or she should have the common courtesy to show equal support to the both the men and the women. The men's game may be faster paced or more crowd savvy, but with a conference record of nine wins tone loss, the women must be doing something to deserve acknowledgement.

Students should continue to support and cheer on the men's team to another conference victory. But it is upsetting when the people that attend the men's basketball games leave as soon as that game is over, leaving the women with an extremely diminishing crowd.

The women do not deserve this. They practice just as hard as the men and often play just as hard, if not harder, than the men.

It is wonderful to see the students at NSU coming out in support of the basketball teams and their efforts. The students here just need to learn that this school has two teams are working towards a conference championship, not just one.

Reader displeased with NSU Financial Aid office

Glenn D. Dowden
Graduate Student

As a former undergraduate student at NSU and a current graduate student of the NSU Graduate School, I am very pleased with the educational opportunities that have been afforded me, during my years (1995 – 2002) at Northwestern State University.

The faculty and staff at NSU are very professional and for the most part eager to assist any student in need. The Student Support Services under the direction of Don Barker, and the Disabled Student Services headed by Steve Hicks, cannot be surpassed.

With an increase in enrollment, problems are bound to arise for students, faculty, staff, and others at the university. One such problem lies within the Financial Aid Office.

I've experienced numerous problems with the financial aid office and so have many of my friends, and a family member. Northwestern State University spends a great deal of time and money on student recruitment.

It seems a shame that this same university will experience a loss of many students, because so many have become discouraged with the growing problems they experience with the Office of Financial Aid. I hope that one day someone will take notice of the problems in this office and take the proper measures to correct them.

Student questions credentials of Housing officials

Lucas Comeaux
Junior

I was wondering if you could have an article done on the education levels of the administrators at this school. It seams to me that competency of the person in charge of housing is low or nonexistent. That man has had my roommate and myself move from our room, where we were very comfortable, into a room where some one else lived, only to have him move to our room. This move was made without explanation to us, and for no reason apparent to myself or anyone else involved.

Two of my friends are being threatened with being chaged for a single room because the housing administrator has not placed anyone in the room with them. Both, a girl in Sabine and a boy in Boozman, have been told that they must find a roommate or they will be charged with a single room.

It seams to me that the housing administrator it doing things outside of his job, like randomly switching the residents rooms, and not doing the job that he is getting paid for, like finding roommates for those residents whom require them.

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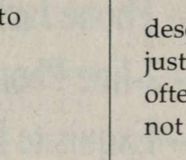
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Editor's Take

The Current Sauce apologizes for appearance of news bias



Rondray Hill
Editor's Take

Last week, new Demon football head coach Scott Stoker named Darryl Mason as his new offensive coordinator.

Mason is a former receivers coach at NSU. He spent last season as receivers coach at ULM.

He also happens to be the first African-American offensive coordinator in both school and Southland conference history.

It was, and still is, big news. *The Current Sauce* knew the significance of his hiring, but we elected not to print a story on Mason in last week's edition due to space constraints and bigger plans for the story.

But because of the omission, many Sauce readers voiced opinions on what was perceived as an unfair slant in the way we handled the news of Mason's hiring. The main complaints were that a week after writing an editorial criticizing the lack of minorities in the head coach job opening, *The Current Sauce*, and more specifically, I, tried to ignore the hiring of the first black offensive coordinator in an attempt to give a biased view of the news.

Your other opinion was that my editorial, coupled with the lack of coverage of Mason's hiring, proved that the editorial was nothing more than a cheap shot at the Athletic Department, and namely Athletic Director Greg Burke.

But the truth is we are working on a story about Darryl Mason for a future edition. We decided that we would do a story that suited the circumstances more effectively than a simple straight news story.

However, I know as well as you that reality is always perceived. It was not a stretch for you to assume that I tried to slant the news to defend my earlier criticism of the Athletic Department.

For that, I apologize. I should have known better

I apologize because it is the job of journalists and editors to never put their newspaper in the position I put *The Current Sauce*. Journalists are never supposed to let bias, or even the perception of bias, enter into the minds of the general public.

If you have no doubt about the accuracy of our content, then we have done our job.

My editorial two weeks ago simply addressed a national problem concerning the lack of minority head coaches on a local level. What I did not communicate well enough was that my editorial was not a condemnation of the department.

My editorial was not meant to suggest any sort of collusion or unethical hiring practices by the university or Greg Burke. In fact, members of the Athletic Department have been nothing but professional and respectful in discussing this issue.

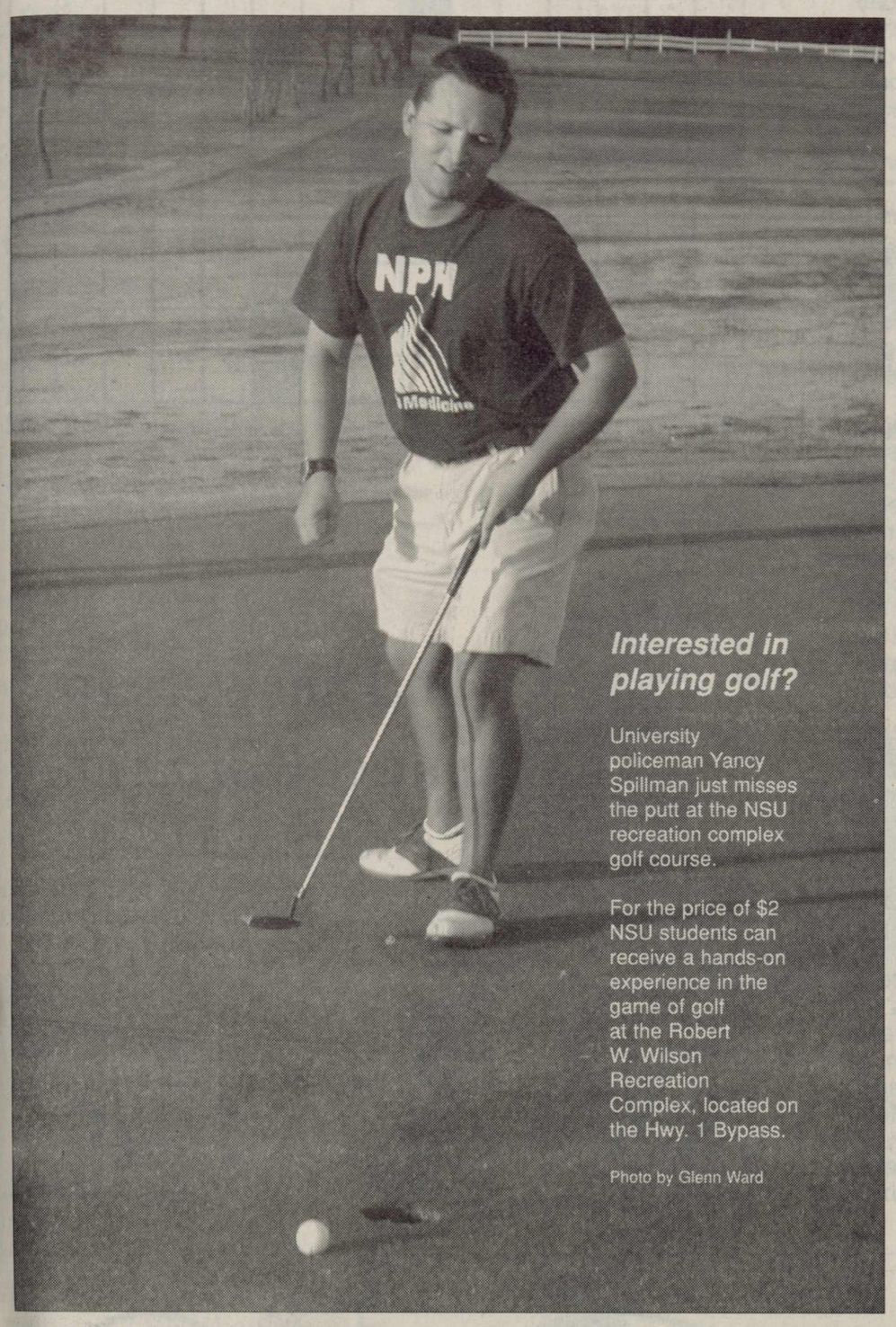
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Daily Entertainment Ideas



Interested in playing golf?

University policeman Yancy Spillman just misses the putt at the NSU recreation complex golf course.

For the price of $2 NSU students can receive a hands-on experience in the game of golf at the Robert W. Wilson Recreation Complex, located on the Hwy. 1 Bypass.

Photo by Glenn Ward

Sunday

Begin your week with sports

Callie Reames
Staff Writer

Preceding the school week is a day called Sunday.

It is a day when many students just want to kick back and soak up the lack of responsibility that this classless day offers.

Natchitoches Sundays tend to be lazy, nap-filled days with an occasional Front Street picnic, but there is more to do than sleep and eat on this hallowed weekday's eve.

Catholic, Baptist, Methodist, Presbyterian and many other faiths have churches and houses of worship in Natchitoches.

A look through the yellow pages will yield detailed locations and contact information.

First Baptist Church, located at 508 Second Street, hosts an 11 a.m. service followed by a free lunch and bible study.

Laura Ponder, an NSU biology department assistant professor, coordinates the bible study.

"The college students mingle with church members and get to know each other, so they can minister to each other," Ponder said.

Also on Sundays, NSU students can golf for $2 or play free tennis games at the Robert W. Wilson Recreation Complex, located on the Highway 1 Bypass.

The rec complex, completed in 1970, also hosts a pool that is open from April to October, depending on the weather.

Jarrod Cox, a 1997 NSU graduate, has intermittently worked at the complex for seven years. When explaining golf prices, he said they are cheap enough to allow him to play fairly often.

The rec complex, which is closed on Mondays, offers a $20 per semester membership to full-time NSU students.

NSU faculty and staff can join for an initial fee of $268.50 and monthly payments of $22.50.

"The rec complex is a great place to enjoy yourself because it offers three activities and it's affordable," said Jon Melder, a rec complex employee and Natchitoches Central High School senior.

The complex opens at 8 a.m. on Tuesday through Sunday.

A walk along the Cane River Lake while feeding stale bread to ducks is a more blasé activity for a Sunday afternoon.

The Front Street lakefront has enough room for a long stroll and picnic tables ideal for a sunset snack or dinner. Front Street is always open.

Kmart still serves as label for major literary genre

By Julia Keller
Chicago Tribune

In the sprawling parking lot of contemporary American culture, the one with the wadded-up Burger King bags skittering across it like urban tumbleweed, Kmart is a Winnebago straddling 2 1/2 spaces.

It's way too big to ignore.

From the perky preamble of its in-store public address system announcement "Attention Kmart shoppers!" to the moniker for Kmart's get-`em-while-they're-hot bargains Blue Light specials Kmart resonates.

But the most significant cultural contribution of the company, which filed for bankruptcy last week and faces an uncertain future, may be its status as the only business establishment in American history to have served as the label for a major literary genre.

"Kmart realism," all the rage in the late 1980s, was a name that gradually came to be applied to a generation of emerging writers.

Other major enterprises, either mighty or failed, have had no comparable impact on literature; as yet, there is no such thing as Enron realism.

Allusions to Kmart realism remain a familiar tool for literary critics, a way of indicating a style of austere writing.

Kmart realism "was an explosion in the culture" about a decade ago, said Lee K. Abbott, author of several short-story collections and the director of Ohio State University's graduate program in creative writing.

While brand names are frequently found in Kmart realism, the most crucial aspect of the genre is its subject matter: people whose lives are circumscribed by strip malls, trailer parks, rent-to-own stores, tattoo parlors, gun shops, fast-food joints and tanning salons.

People who keep a stack of change-of-address cards in the glove compartment, just in case.

"It was the first foray into the lives of the underclass," Abbott said.

In fact, its unofficial name was "trailer park fiction," he added.

Writers such as Carver, Mason and Beattie specialized in the lives of those who seemed to have missed out on something, those who drank too much, smoked too much, stumbled their way through marital problems.

Kmart realism, a term that may very well have been invented as a term of derision, enabled writers to deal frankly with people whom nobody would envy.

Kmart realism, Abbott said, allowed writers to deal forthrightly with a subject that has bedeviled Americans since that little skirmish with the monarchy-crazed Brits, a subject that permeates the culture but is often avoided in polite conversation: Class.

Kmart realism is the antithesis of glitz, the opposite of glamor.

It is "Roseanne," not "Dynasty."

It is beer, not champagne.

John Lye, an English professor at Brock University in Ontario, Canada, included a lecture on Kmart realism in the modern fiction class he's currently teaching.

Carver's short story "Where I'm Calling From" is the assigned reading.

"With Kmart realism, there's a kind of shallowness, with everything on the surface," Lye said.

"There's no depth to that world."

To him, Kmart means "big, brightly lit fluorescent stores. No atmosphere, just merchandise. Nobody seems to be around to help you find anything. The merchandise is completely anonymous. There's a lack of resonance."

Kmart realism has its roots in the work of Ernest Hemingway, Lye said.

"You don't give any emotion. The reader has to supply the emotion."

Everything is flat and dull, reflecting nothing, promising nothing.

And if Kmart, currently struggling to keep its stores open and restructure its debt, can't make a go of it? What would happen to the study of Kmart realism if Kmart were gone?

"It becomes a footnote," Lye said.

"But the memory of Kmart is going to be around for a long while.

A decade after Kmart dies, people will know what you mean."

New art exhibit features computer-generated art

By Dondra Lewis
Reporter

Students seeking a little culture in their life can find it in a new faculty and student art show at the Orville J. Hanchey Art Gallery.

The gallery is located in the A.A. Fredericks Fine Arts Center for Creative and Performing Arts. It is open from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. weekdays.

Roberta Walters, director of the gallery, said the shows on both levels of the gallery are works that the faculty and two graduate students of the art department created.

The theme of the show is computer generated artwork.

Walters said head computer teacher Clyde Downs had the idea for the show. The idea of a computer generated artwork display was to coordinate with a workshop for high school students called Cyber High. Cyber High workshops incorporate high school students, computers and artwork.

"The main show is upstairs where all the works are by faculty members," Walters said.

Students can visit the free exhibit until Feb. 8.

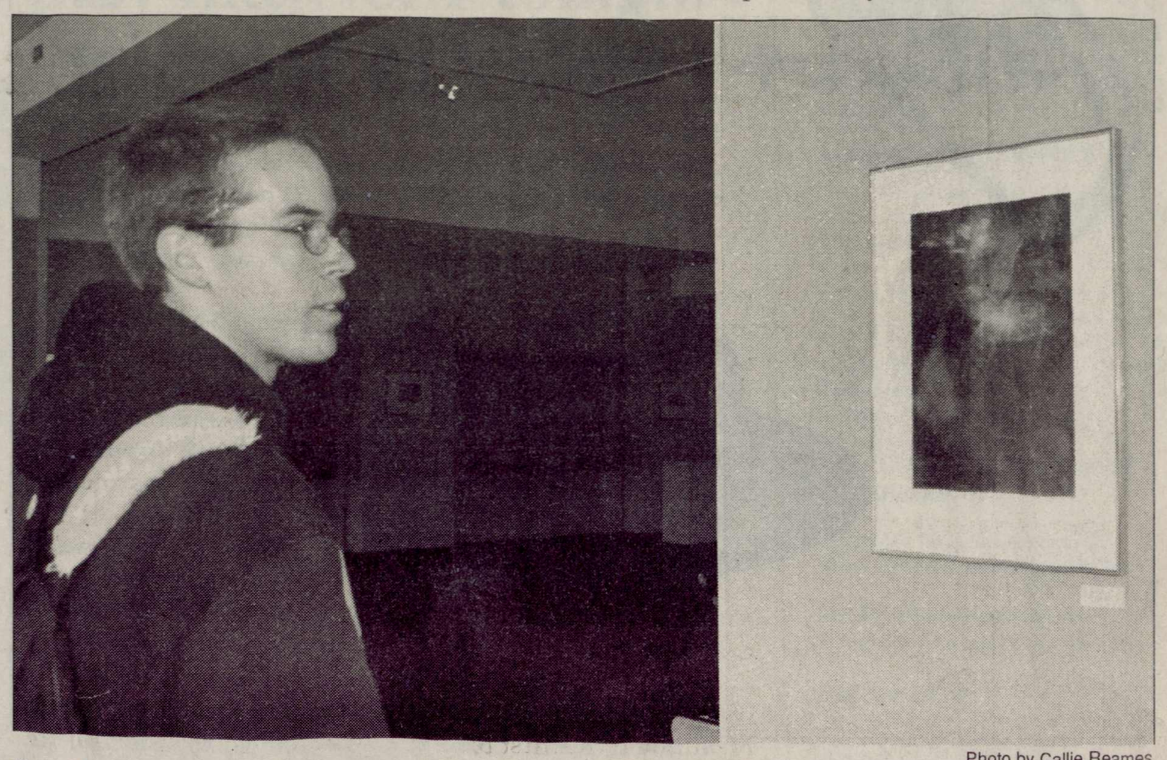


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Zane Vaughn, a senior music education major, observes artwork by Mike Yankowski.

Local band to play at Pioneer Pub

Britton Faucon
Staff Reporter

Rock band Three Color Portrait is scheduled to play at the Pioneer Pub at 10:30 p.m. at Wednesday.

The band recently played at the Battle of the Bands for Sam Goody's grand opening.

Three Color Portrait consists of Cory Nichols on bass guitar, Nic Milliner on the drums, and Brian Borsics on guitar and vocals.

The three band members met while playing in Northwestern State's Jazz Band.

While looking through a jazz song book, the three laughed as they looked at song titles for possible band names. The band's name originated from a song by Charles Mingus called "Self Portrait in Three Colors."

Milliner admitted he had never heard the song before.

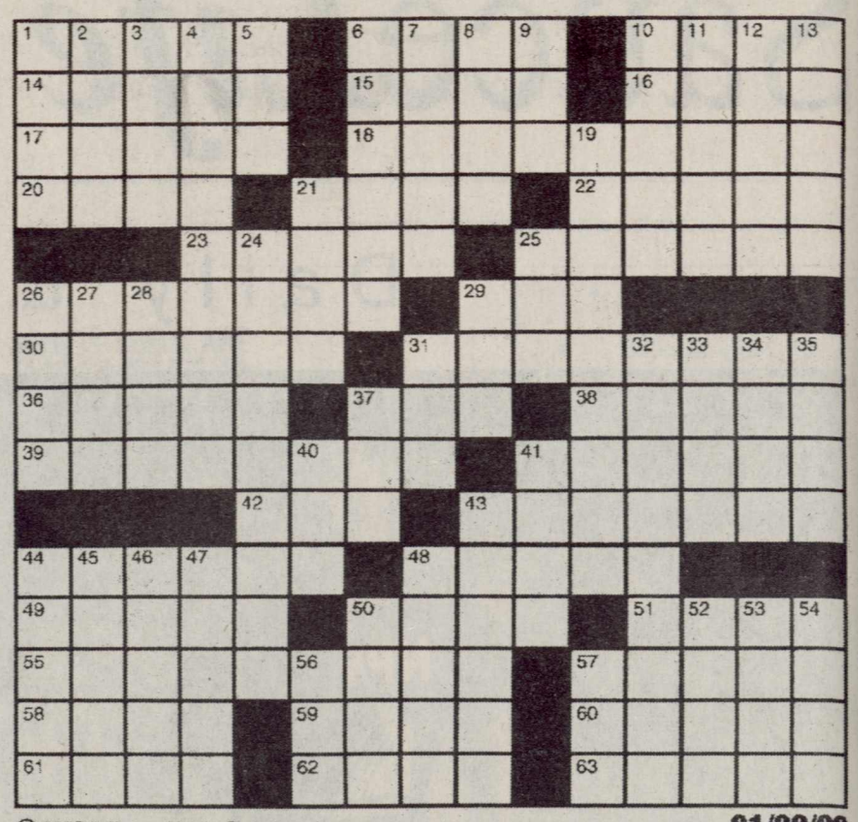
Three Color Portrait plays a mixture of their own work as well as songs by other musicians. The band is currently working on putting out demos to become known in the surrounding areas and eventually travel.

These demos are available upon request of any band member. Borsics said, "Success to me is not MTV, as long as a few people dig it (music)."

In the future, Milliner said he would like to see the band stay around for 10 years instead of being part of a trend.

Three Color Portrait will continue playing at the Pioneer Pub on a regular basis.

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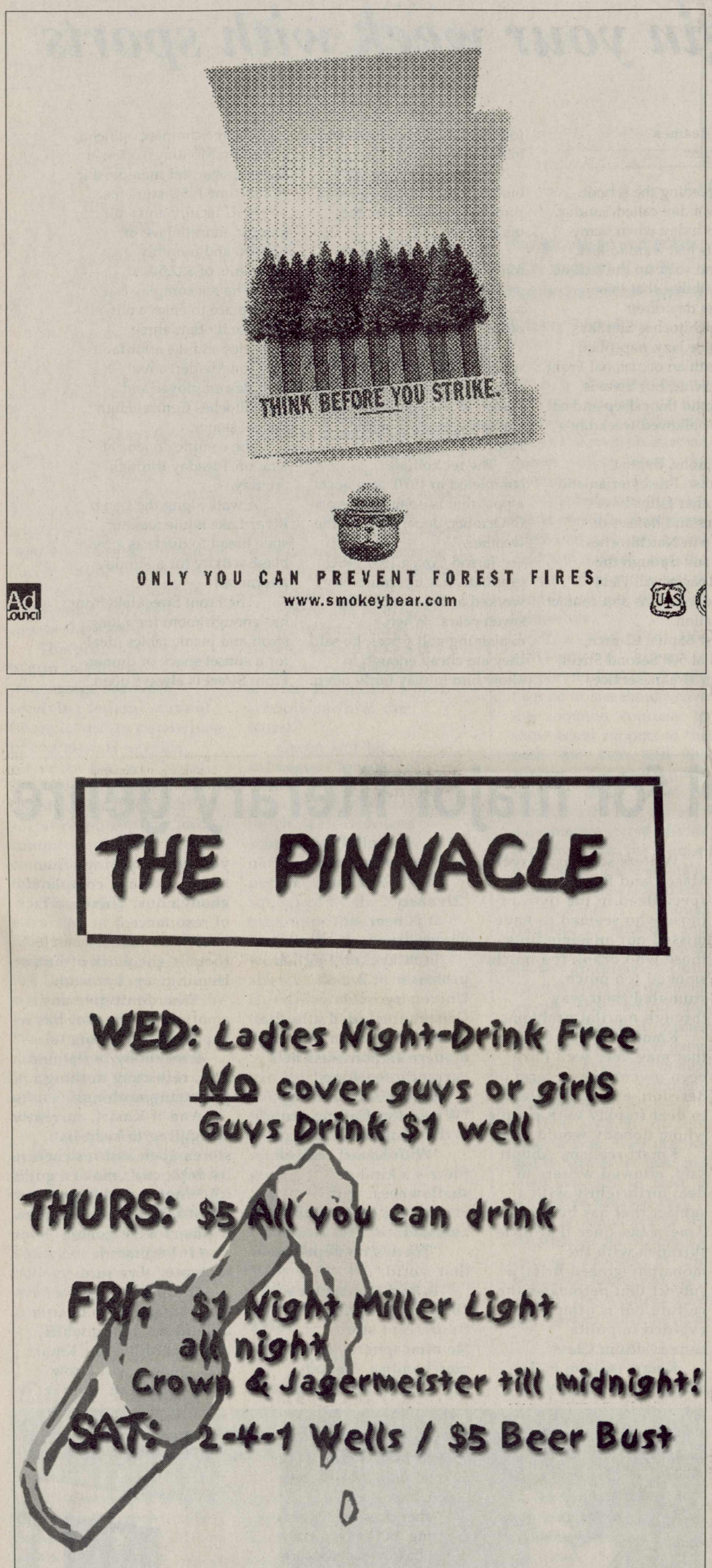
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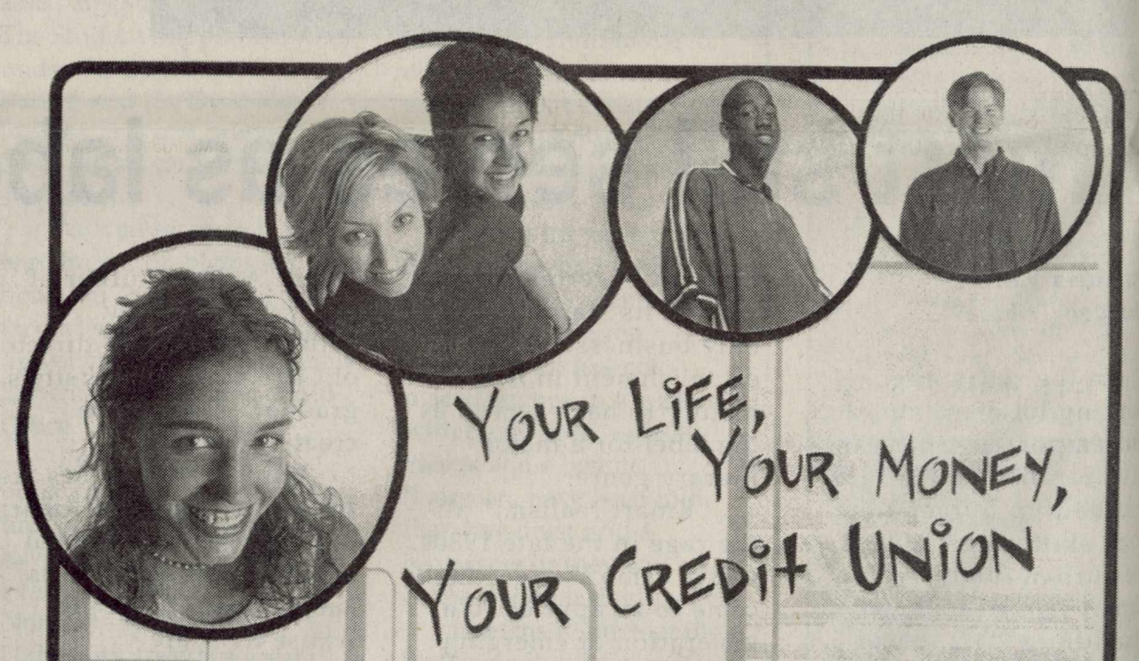
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Lady Demons roll, Swanigan lost for the season

Juniors La'Terrica Dobin and Angela Davidson led the second half charge as the Northwestern State Lady Demons defeated Lamar, 73-58, in Prather Coliseum.

The biggest loss came with 8:52 remaining in the first half as sophomore Katrina Swanigan collapsed to the floor clutching her knee. She did not return to the game as preliminary diagnosis indicates an ACL strain or tear. More tests are expected on Tuesday.

"Our girls had to respond and they did," said Lady Demon head coach James Smith. "We have a lot of playing left this season and we'll see who can step up to replace Katrina."

Swanigan



Injured ACL during Lamar game.

Dobin scored nine points and dished 11 assists, giving her 26 assists in the last two games for the Lady Demons (13-4, 10-1 SLC). Angela Davidson, the leading scorer in the Southland Conference, scored a team-high 18 points and grabbed seven rebounds. Junior Tiffany Hall pulled down a game-high nine rebounds as she replaced Swanigan to start the second half.

Lamar (5-13, 3-9 SLC) shot 41.8 percent in the game but was unable to take advantage of the loss of Swanigan, the Lady Demon's second leading scorer and leading rebounder entering the contest. Junior Anna Means helped counter the loss, shooting 3-for-3 from three-point range and scoring 11 points.

Eva Christian scored a game-high 19 points and grabbed five rebounds while teammate LaToya Thomas scored 12 points with four rebounds.

The Lady Demons take a break before hosting Louisiana-Monroe in Prather Coliseum or Wednesday.

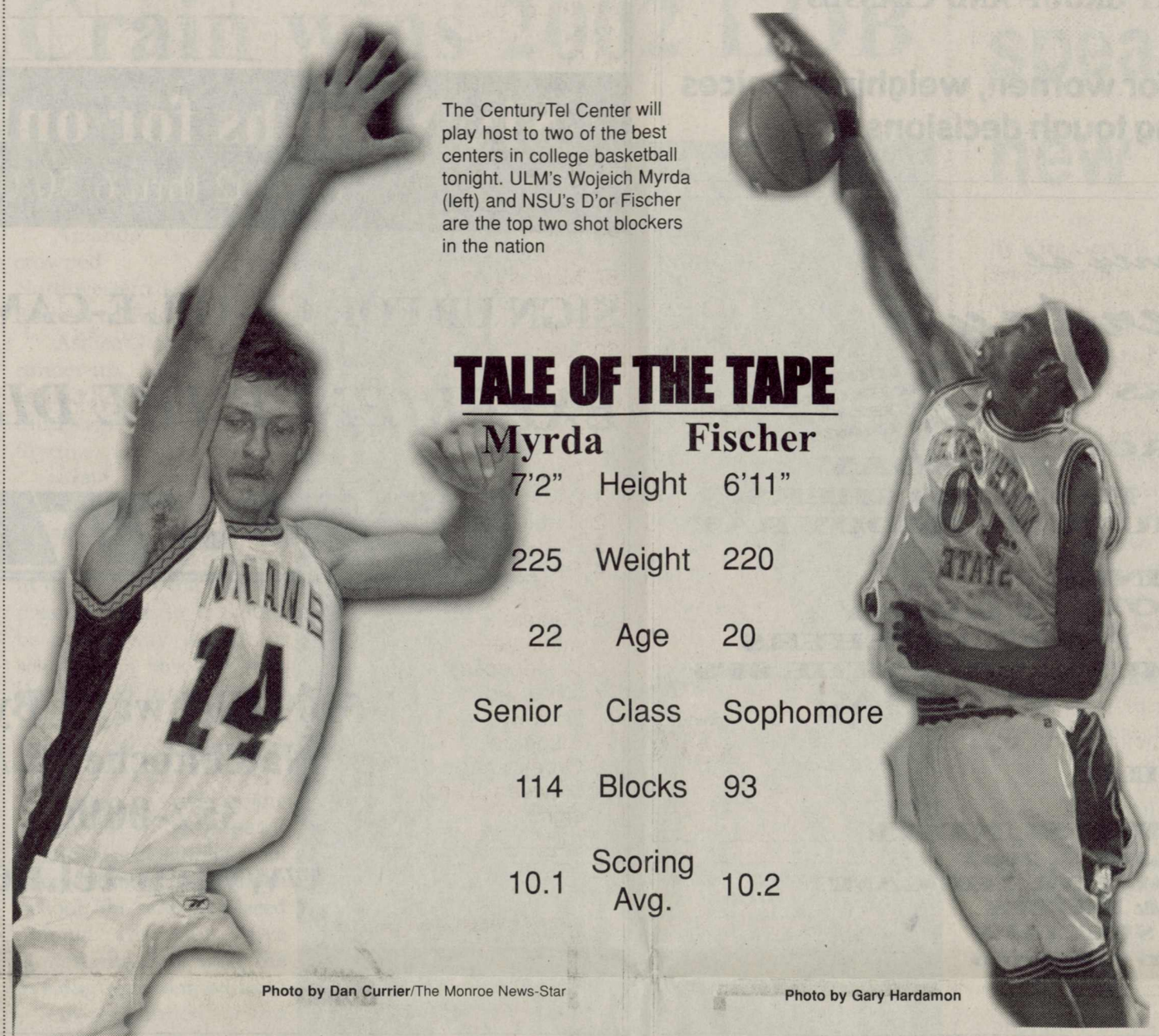
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BATTLE AT THE CTC

BLOCKBUSTER IN BOSSIER



The CenturyTel Center will play host to two of the best centers in college basketball tonight. ULM's Wojeich Myrda (left) and NSU's D'or Fischer are the top two shot blockers in the nation

TALE OF THE TAPE

Myrda		Fischer
7'2"	Height	6'11"
225	Weight	220
22	Age	20
Senior	Class	Sophomore
114	Blocks	93
10.1	Scoring Avg.	10.2

Photo by Dan Currier/The Monroe News-Star

Photo by Gary Hardamon

Demons use losses as learning experiences

By Janie Warren
Sauce Reporter

With a ringing blow to the head and little more than 10 minutes left in the game, Demon basketball senior forward Chris Lynch was ripe to battle with Sam Houston State.

After being fouled and pushed headfirst into the base of the goal, an angry Demon head coach Mike McConathy and an angry Demon team seemed to want to play harder against the Bearkats.

"That woke me and everyone else up in the gym," Lynch said. "All I could think was it's really time to play."

Although the Demons (8-11, 5-4 SLC) lost to the Bearkats (10-9, 5-6 SLC) 98-83, McConathy said they have a handle on what needs to be done to prevent last minute miracles. "We can't put ourselves in a position where we wait until the end of the game to overcome deficits," McConathy said.

The Game

Demons (8-11, 5-4) vs. ULM (13-8, 9-2)

CenturyTel Center Bossier City, La.

Tip Time: 7 p.m.

The Demons will try to take the hard-earned lessons from Saturday into tonight's game against ULM. The Demons have won the last four meetings with the Indians (13-8, 9-2 SLC), but ULM is off to one of their best starts in school history. The Indians also sit atop the SLC standings.

When asked about their performance during the game, Lynch and junior guard B.J. Netterville said the team needed to play better defense and play as a team rather than as individuals.

SHSU made 50 percent of their field goals in the first half of the game and carried an 18-point lead into the second half. As the half progressed, however, the Demon's field goal percentage nearly doubled, and players including sophomore center D'or Fischer, senior guard Ryan Duplessis and senior forward Melvin Roberts were able to successfully rebound the ball — a part of the Demon game missing in the first half — and stay close.

Fischer said he is anticipating his competition against Wojciech Myrda, the 225 pound, 7-foot-2 senior center for the Indians.

Lynch said he is ready for tonight's game as well. "It's time to play," Lynch said. "Monroe is a good team and it's going to be a battle."

Mrs. Webb: 'D'or has to play like No. 1 tonight'

By Rondray Hill
Editor

Demon center D'or Fischer and ULM center Wojciech Myrda are a combined 14 feet, 1 inch tall. They lead the nation in blocked shots and, put together, they have a total of 207 blocked shots this season.

Both have more blocks individually than nine of the 11 teams in the conference.

Tonight's game between league-leader ULM and the Demons may simply be window dressing for the main, and rare, attraction between two players who lead the nation in the same category.

Demon fans and supporters, many of whom watch nearly every game the Demons and Fischer play, were asked by The Current Sauce to give their advice on how to handle such a tall order, no pun intended.

NSU Students

NSU IDs will not get students into tonight's game.

NSU students will have to pay a reduced ticket price of $5.

Most have the same advice: stay out of foul trouble.

"I think he'll have to have good inside position," senior Demon Cheerleader Jeremy Shaw said. "The matchup will be about who stays out of foul trouble and who can get the best position."

Foul trouble played a huge role in Fischer's last game against Sam Houston State. He drew two early fouls within the first five minutes of play and was forced to sit out the rest of the half.

NSU First Lady Brenda Webb, along with Jacque Crew, wife of University Provost Robert Crew, agreed with Shaw.

"He will definitely have to stay out of foul trouble," Crew said. "He's going to also have to be aggressive."

Webb added that Fischer will need to think he's the better player against Myrda. "Instead of thinking he's No. 2 in blocked shots, he'll have to think he's No. 1," Webb said. "He's got to have the desire to rise a notch above the level of play he's been playing."

Fischer does lead Myrda in scoring, but only slightly. Fischer has averaged nearly 10.2 points per game in Southland conference play so far this season, while Myrda averages 10.1. Any advantage is a good advantage when giving up three inches of height.

"I think all D'or has to do is use the approach he uses for every other game," Head coach Mike McConathy's 13-year-old son Logan said.

"If D'or uses his head and doesn't do anything he doesn't need to, then he'll do fine."

Sauce Stats

Men's Basketball

Standings	W	L	%
Louisiana-Monroe	9	2	.818
McNeese State	9	3	.750
Texas-San Antonio	6	4	.600
Texas-Arlington	6	4	.600
Northwestern State	**5**	**4**	**.556**
Lamar	6	5	.545
Stephen F. Austin	5	5	.500
Sam Houston State	5	6	.455
Southeastern Louisiana	4	7	.364
Southwest Texas	3	8	.273
Nicholls State	0	10	.000

Conference Leaders

Scoring Average

1. Powers, McEverett-UTSA	19.8
2. Barber, Steven-UTA	19.2
3. Brown, Devin-UTSA	18.5
4. Hendrix, Damany-LU	17.7
5. Byars-Dawson, Michael-NSU	**17.0**
6. Cole, Donald-SHSU	16.9
7. Coleman, Jason-MCN	16.1
8. Green, Percy-SFA	15.5
9. Abdur-Rahim, Amir-SLU	15.3
10. Lubeck, Brian-ULM	14.8

Total Rebounding

1. Cole, Donald-SHSU	207
2. Arline, Lewis-LU	158
3. Brown, Devin-UTSA	141
4. Callier, Mack-UTA	132
5. Fischer, D'or-NSU	**140**
6. Brewer, Raynell-MCN	137
7. Lubeck, Brian-ULM	151
8. Franklin, Derrick-SLU	129
9. Myrda, Wojciech-ULM	150
10. Powers, McEverett-UTSA	120

Attendance Average

Lamar	2717
Louisiana-Monroe	2624
Sam Houston State	2028
Southwest Texas	1482
Northwestern State	**1452**
Texas-San Antonio	1429
McNeese State	1357
Stephen F. Austin	1102
Southeastern Louisiana	809
Texas-Arlington	715
Nicholls State	562

If the conference tournament started today...

Lamar (6) @ Texas-San Antonio (3)
ULM (1) hosts lowest remaining seed

Northwestern State (5) @ Texas-Arlington (4)
McNeese(2) hosts highest remaining seed

Did you know...

...Louisiana-Monroe attempted a conference-record 62 free throws against NSU in a game in 1992?

Women's Basketball

Standings	W	L	%
Northwestern State	**10**	**1**	**.909**
Stephen F. Austin	10	1	.909
Texas-San Antonio	8	3	.727
Texas-Arlington	8	4	.666
Southwest Texas	6	6	.500
Southeastern Louisiana	5	6	.454
Nicholls State	4	7	.364
Louisiana-Monroe	4	7	.364
McNeese State	5	9	.357
Lamar	3	0	.250
Sam Houston State	0	10	.083

Conference Leaders

Scoring Average

1. Davidson, Angela-NSU	**15.9**
2. Webster, Ann-SLU	14.1
3. Talbert, Tori-SWT	13.6
4. Johnson, Alice-SHSU	13.2
5. Christian, Eva-LU	13.2
6. Broussard, Heidi-NICH	12.1
7. Ogunoye, Rola-UTA	11.6
8. Broussard, Mandy-NICH	11.6
9. Burbridge, Kellie-MCN	11.5
10. Butler, Danielle-ULM	11.3

Assist Average (National)

1. Sara Nord, Louisville	9.1
2. Nina Barlin, Georgia Tech	7.9
3. La'Terrica Dobin, NSU	**7.5**
4. Jayme Chikos, Elon	7.3
5. Erica Vicente, Southwest Mo. St.	7.1
6. Toccara Williams, Texas A&M	7.1
7. Michele Koclanes, Richmond	7.0
8. Amy Waugh, Xavier	6.9
9. Jess Strom, Penn St.	6.8
10. Laine Selwyn, Pittsburgh	6.7

If the conference tournament started today...

SELU(6) @ Texas-San Antonio (3)
NSU (1) hosts lowest remaining seed

SWT(5) @ Texas-Arlington (4)
SFA(2) hosts highest remaining seed

Did you know...

...former Lady Demon Kim Hill holds the record for most steals in a game? She picked off 14 passes against ULM in 1992.

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In the event Amanda Crain cannot fulfill her duties as Miss L.O.B., the girl on the left will be the one to step in

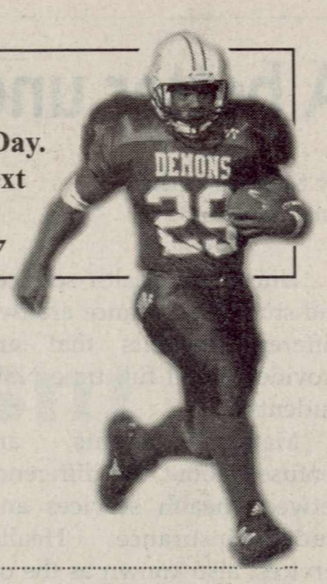
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Sauce Briefs

NSU News

NSU hosts 'College Night' Feb. 21

The NSU Office of Admissions and College of Nursing will hold an informational program for high school students Thursday, Feb. 21 in Shreveport. The event will be held at NSU's Nursing Education Center at1800 Line Avenue.

Registration will begin at 6p.m. with a program starting at 6:30 p.m.

National

Senate kills economic stimulus plan

The Senate approved a temporary 13-week extension of unemployment benefits *Wednes*day but killed the rest of a proposed economic stimulus package amid Democratic and Republican disputes over its make-up.

The extension of benefits beyond the current 26-week limit appears likely to become law, as both President Bush and leaders in the House of Representatives have indicated their support.

Colleges

Florida may cut aid to students from 'terrorist' countries

In the aftermath of Sept. 11, there's a move in the Florida Legislature to cut off financial aid to college or university students who have citizenship in any country that has been identified by the United States as a terrorist haven or supporting terrorism.

The proposal would affect nonresidents with student visas from Iran, Iraq, Syria, Libya, Cuba, North Korea and the Sudan.

44th Miss LOB

Crain wins 2002 LOB

By Britton Faucon
Sauce Reporter



Photo by Gary Hardamon

Amanda Crain was named the 2002 Lady of the Bracelet on Friday. Crain is a sophomore from Texarkana, Texas. She succeeded the former Miss Lady of the Bracelet Kristen Holly. Crain will be the official hostess of Nortwestern State University and will compete in the Miss Louisiana Pageant.

Amanda Crain was crowned Miss Northwestern Lady of the Bracelet on Friday.

Ashlee Greber was first runner-up, Laura Terrell second, Blaire Rohner third, and Callie Reames fourth.

Crain is a sophomore biology major from Texarkana, Texas. Crain said she wanted to compete in the Lady of the Bracelet pageant because it would be a fun way to earn a scholarship. She also said she wanted to distinguish herself as a prominent student at Northwestern State University.

Crain said she competed in a pageant once before at a high school competition at Texas High School. She said she placed among the top five contestants and won the eveningwear competition.

In preparation for this pageant, Crain said she focused mainly on her interview, which was scheduled prior to the night of the pageant. She said she also researched her platform of youth mentoring thoroughly and kept up with current events.

Crain said she formed her platform from her experience of working with young children this past summer. She said she soon found that the children were imitating her actions and that impressed her.

"I realized that I had a huge influence on them. I can make a huge impact on kids lives and use that for good," Crain said. She said she hopes to work this summer at Camp Champions in Marble Falls, Texas, as a camp counselor.

Crain said she also increased her exercise regimen and became more health conscious.

Reigning as Miss Northwestern Lady of the Bracelet, Crain said she will serve as the official hostess of NSU. Also, she said this year she will compete in the Miss Louisiana pageant. In the meantime, Crain said she will continue to stay healthy and exercise regularly, as well as improve on anything else she can.

Crain said her main focus is to work on a song for her talent competition. Crain said she is searching for a song that would amaze the judges and increase her chances of winning. She said her goal for the Miss Louisiana pageant is to place among the top ten contestants.

In the Miss Northwestern Lady of the Bracelet pageant, Crain also won the award for the swimsuit and eveningwear competitions. Callie Reames won the talent competition for her musical piece on the flute. Laura Terrell and Ashlee Greber both received the award for Miss Congeniality. Terrell won the people's choice award.

"I gained more confidence in myself [from this pageant]," Crain said. "After you win something like that you can accomplish anything. I hope that this title helps me accomplish my plans for the future."

Crain said she plans to open up her own eye clinic in the Dallas area in the future.

University official speaks out about new Greek row

By Kira Gervais
Sauce Reporter

Northwestern State University has been working on creating a new greek residential area, but its success all depends on the sale of land to the city of Natchitoches.

The new Greek row would stretch from the corner of Tarlton Drive and South Jefferson Street down to Caspari, where the Kappa Sigma house is located, said John Winston, vice president of university affairs.

In order to use that area for greek row, they need to build the infrastructure. Winston said the school was going to get the money to build the infrastructure from the sale of 1.5 acres of land, located across from the Days Inn on College Ave., to the city of Natchitoches.

Winston said the school got all of its paperwork approved by its board about three months ago, but they are waiting on the city of Natchitoches. The city of Natchitoches started to have second thoughts regarding the purchase of the land, Winston said.

The plans to build the infrastructure are on hold until the university receives word from the city of Natchitoches, Winston said. The university would like to try to speed up the city's decision to purchase the land.

"We are going to press them for an answer if they will or will not," Winston said.

Greek row would be a complete living environment for the fraternities and sororities, said Winston. He also said there would be a parking area built for all of the residents that would live on Greek row.

If the city of Natchitoches decided to purchase the land, the plans for the infrastructure would begin. Once the plans were made for the infrastructure, Winston said the construction of the infrastructure would only take six months or less.

Winston said the fraternity and sorority members would have to enter an as yet unspecified arrangement in order to make plans for their house on Greek row.

"Once the infrastructure would be developed, the final plans would begin," Winston said.



Photo by Amy Walmsley

Dancing the night away

Katie Dollar, a junior, (left) and Charles Frye, freshman, (right) dance to a Cajun beat during Tuesday's Mardi Gras Masquerade Ball held in the Student Union Ballroom.

Attention

Are you celebrating a birthday during the week of February 21-27? Do you know someone who is?

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Students seek employment with campus work-study program

By Jennifer Bocanegra
Sauce Reporter

As the traditional on-campus work-study program becomes more competitive, students interested in earning extra money while attending Northwestern State University have other options.

Director of enrollment services Ina Agnew said that students who qualify for Title IV financial aid, which includes Pell Grants, Perkins subsidized and unsubsidized loans, and supplemental education opportunities can apply for tutoring positions through the "America Reads" Program.

"As a spin-off to college work study, the department of education wants to hire students to go off campus and serve as reading and math tutors for students in certain programs," Agnew said.

The office places interested students with transportation to work off campus as reading and math tutors for children in after-school programs such as the Boys and Girls Club, she said.

Agnew said potential tutors are required to go through an orientation program and maintain a minimum grade point average in order to participate. Agnew said that students who participate in the program are paid more to go off campus in order to cover the cost of gas.

Another option for job-seeking students are the businesses and departments that have budgets separate from the university, such as the Barnes & Noble Campus Bookstore, Aramark, residence halls and laboratories. Agnew said that students do not need to meet the financial aid requirements to obtain employment with these agencies.

"Students think that they can only find jobs though the student employment office or the office of financial aid and that is not true," Agnew said.

Decisions on job placement are made on a first come,

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A better understanding of campus health services

By Shonna Parker
Sauce Reporter

University health services and student insurance are two different benefits that are provided to all full time NSU students.

Many students are confused about the difference between health services and student insurance. Health services, also known as the on campus infirmary, is available for students that are enrolled in six or more hours each semester.

In order to receive this service, students must pay a fee of $35 per semester. After this fee has been met, all over-the-counter medications and services are free.

University health services provide health care in a clinical setting.

The purpose is to provide students with physical and emotional care. This establishment is based on walk in inquiries only. No appointments need to be made. Registered Nurse Stephanie Campbell said if there is any reason they feel students should consult a physician they have two physicians under contract that concentrate in internal medicine available for students. The only requirement is a $10co-pay.

"All tests, procedures, and prescriptions are the student's responsibility," Campbell said.

On the other hand, student insurance is a 24-hour per day service. The student must pay a fee of $11 per semester for this policy to be available. It covers all medical expenses up to $1,000.

Work-study program

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first serve basis, Agnew said. It is important for students interested in participating in the work-study program to renew their FAFSA (Free Application For Student Aid) on a yearly basis, she said. FAFSA applications are now available for the fall 02/Spring/Summer 03-school year and can be found at www.fafsa.ed.gov.

After completing their FAFSA, students should apply for work-study positions at the Student Employment Office in the Student Union. They can also download Student Employment Forms at www.nsula.edu/studentemployment/forms.htm.

"We are trying to make it competitive this semester as positions become available we are leaving it up to the department to see if they would like to assign the student or if they want to interview the student to see if they want to select from the candidates that apply," Agnew said.

Agnew said students interested in participating in on-campus work-study are responsible for checking the various departmental bulletin boards to locate available jobs.

"Just because they get [a] 'no' in one place doesn't mean that they can't apply somewhere else," she said.



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Minutes 02-04-02

I. Call to Order- 7:00 p.m.
The prayer was lead by Beau Boudreaux. The pledge was lead by Zack Pulliam.
Roll Call

Present
Leslie Bean
Beau Boudreaux
Rusty Broussard
Buster Carlisle
Chandra Clark
Greg Comeaux
Stacie Cosby
Dustin Floyd
Jana Freeman
Sarah Griffith
Liz Hughes
Luke Hutchison
Jennifer Jensen
Sharmyn Little
Linzie Ledford
Jeremy Malmay
Scott Manguno
Dustin Matthews
Mindy McConnell
Adam Pennell
Zack Pulliam
James Rolf
Cade Strong
Torrey Washington
Travis Williams

Absent
Samantha Jo Foley
Leanna Anderson
Sally Lizanna
Jade Thibideaux
Patrick Peoples
Frank Toro

Greg moves to approve amended minutes for 01-28-02. Jana seconds it, motion passed by general consent.

II. Executive Reports

Treasurer- Frank Toro

Frank sends his regards. He says that we will have the phone by the end of the month. We need a replacement for Organizational Grants. Torrey Washington is recommended for Organizational Grants. Jennifer Jenson and Beau Boudreaux were recommended for Fiscal.

Vice President -Dustin Matthews

Welcome Guests. Attendance is low, that needs to be worked on. Thanks to the department heads for turning your reports in. This needs to be done every week before Monday. Election dates are April 10-11. Run-offs will be April 17th and 18th, Filings will be March 11th -15th. Everybody needs to get back into "SGA mode". Do your office hours.

President - Rusty Broussard

Rusty welcomed all our guests and Senators to the meeting. Do well on tests this week. There will be a STAT meeting this week either Thursday or Friday. I will let you know which on Tuesday. At this meeting, we will be looking at KNWD equipment and discussing the Adult Learning center and the Life-Long Learning center, and approving the policies and procedures. There is still one open Supreme Court position; this will be open for one more week. Mr. Henry has agreed to buy more constitutions; so new senators will be getting that soon. Jennifer Fox and Will Hooper have resigned, and Sally is going to resign tomorrow.

III. Departmental Reports

Academic Affairs- Stacie Cosby

Torrey Washington has been appointed to CRC, Mindy McConnell has been appointed to Grade Appeals, and James Rolf has been appointed to Scholarship Appeals. The scantron give-away will be Mondays from 9-12. If you would like to join a sub-committee, please see her.

External Affairs- Greg Comeaux

We are preparing a survey on Aramark, so we can hold a meeting with them in the future. We are also still publicizing the 24-hour computer lab.

Fiscal Affairs- Frank Toro

Frank was not present.

Internal Affairs- Dustin Floyd

Twelve people did not do their office hours. If you don't know how see me. Also, they do not count unless you log them in. This is the most important thing to SGA. Educate yourself on bill SP02-001, it will affect all senators.

Student Affairs- Buster Carlisle

There was no meeting today. Torrey Washington and Mindy McConnell have been appointed to Traffic Appeals.

SAB Report- Will Hooper

There was no report.

Adam Pennell entered the room

Advisor's Report- Mr. Henry

We are really pushing for COSGA. Luke Dowden will be going for me. We can afford a speaker every fall. This is a positive thing for the school. Thank you Dustin Matthews for helping with LOB. Senators should think about creating a bill that gives wheelchairs a place to park during Football games without being in the line of traffic. In addition, we need new Senators at large. Let's have a full house. I discussed the plans for the Adult-Learning center, and Life-Long Learning center.

Supreme Court Report- Jeremiah Newsom

There is no report.

IV. Old Business

There is no Old Business.

V. New Business

COSGA was discussed. Beau makes a motion to vote for six people after every candidate makes a one-minute speech. Mindy seconds the motion. Motion passes by role call vote 19-4-0. Buster motions not to let graduating seniors attend COSGA from now n into the future, with the exception of the President, Vice President or other Executive if needed to go. Beau seconds the motion. Motion passed by role call vote 20-3-0. The six senators chosen to go are Dustin Floyd, Buster Carlisle, Stacie Cosby, Luke Hutchison, Cade Strong and Torrey Washington. Dustin Matthews and Luke Dowden will also be attending.

Rusty Broussard leaves the room.

Rusty Broussard enters the room.

The COSGA convention will be Feb. 23rd - 26th.

SAB representative is open, Greg nominates Linzie Ledford, Jana seconds. Jennifer Jensen nominates Beau Boudreaux, Mindy seconds. Beau is appointed to SAB representative by show of hands.

Greg moves to approve Demetrius Greer to a senator position, Jana seconds. Demetrius is approved by role call vote 21-2-0.

Greg moves to approve Melissa Snelling to a senator position, Jana seconds. Melissa is approved by role call vote 23-0-0. Rusty Broussard swore in both Demetrius and Melissa.

VI. Announcements

You must complete three office hours per week. Do your office hours!

The radio show will be Tuesdays from 9-12.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Campus Connections

Phi Mu Fraternity

Phi Mu Fraternity will be having their annual Crush Dance on Feb. 16 from 9 p.m. to 12 p.m. Remember to bring your invitation that night.

Purple Jackets

Purple Jackets is accepting applications for new membership. The organization is open to female students with a 3.0 GPA. They also must be a full time student, at least a second semester sophomore, be in two or more organizations, and must hold an office in one or have in the past. The deadline is Feb. 15. Applications can be picked up in room 214 of the Student Union.

Student Government Association

The **SGA** is looking for new members. There are five positions for senator and one position for supreme court. Students interested in filling these positions should stop by Room 222 of the Student Union.

Counseling and Career Services

The **Office of Counseling and Career Services** has received correspondence of position openings from these businesses: Research Associate position, LSU Ag. Center, Baton Rouge, La., Social Service Specialist I or II, Acadia Parish Foster Care Unit - Acadia Parish; Social Service Specialist I or II, Lafayette Parish Child Protection - Lafayette Parish; Camp Counselors, Coordinators, and Directors, The Girls Vacation Fund - Catskill Mountains. For more information students can stop by the CCS office in Room 305 of the Student Union.

First Baptist Church

The **First Baptist Church** of Natchitoches will have a free lunch and bible study every Sunday following their 11 a.m. service. The First Baptist Church of Natchitoches is located on 508 Second St.

Catholic Student Organization

The **CSO** will have a theology study and faith sharing on Sunday nights at 8 p.m. followed by the 9:30 p.m. Mass. There will be Bible Study every Tuesday night at 8 p.m. The CSO will also have a fellowship every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. followed by a free meal. Everyone is welcome. For more info contact Amy Dowden at 352-2615.

Baptist Collegiate Ministry

The **BCM** will have Wednesday night worship across the street from Watson Library every Wednesday night. The worship begins at 8:31 p.m. All students are welcome to attend. For more information call the BCM at 352-5464.

Circle K International

Circle K International invites students to its meetings every Tuesday night at 8:30 p.m. in Room 320 of the Student Union. For more information call Jessica at 357-5974.

Fellowship Christian Athletes

FCA will be having its weekly fellowship every Tuesday night. The meetings are held in the athletic field house on the south end of Turpin Stadium at 8 p.m. There will be a devotional speaker each week. Everyone is welcome.

Spanish Club

The **Spanish Club** would like to invite potential members to its meetings every Wednesday at 3 p.m. in Room 331 of Kyser Hall.

***To see your Campus Connections in next week's edition of The Current Sauce, drop off your information in the Campus Connection box in Room 225 of Kyser Hall.**

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Sauce*Column*

Campus housing can make you move, even if you don't want to

There is a misconception going around this campus that students who live in the dormitories are subject to be moved without explanation or consent.

This is not so.

When a student is moved into a dorm, he or she is required by the Office of Residential Life to sign a Residence Hall Room and Board Agreement. In paragraph 14 of this agreement, the university is given the authority to consolidate residents left without a roommate-for whatever reason-into another room elsewhere in the dormitory.

Upon signing this agreement, the student is consenting that he or she understands and agrees with the conditions in the agreement. A copy is then given to the student while the original is kept under record at the Residential Life Office.

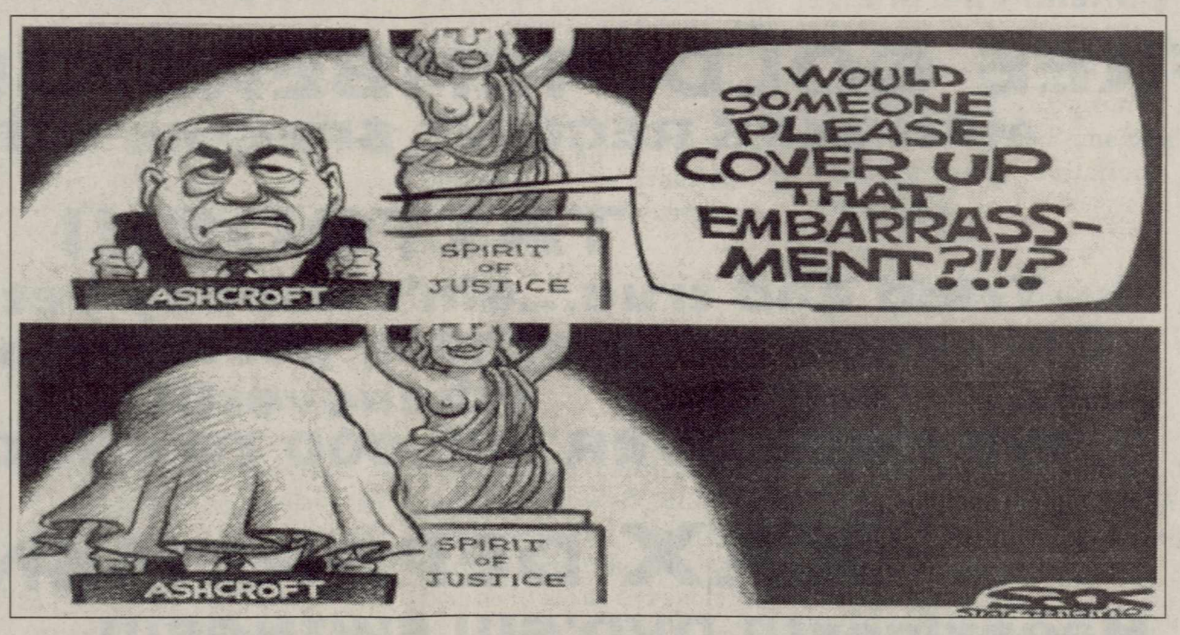
Granted, the moving of a person's thing from one room to another can be a great task within itself. But for a dorm resident to complain about being forced to move against their will is an argument that this student cannot win.

It is not by any means the responsibility of that student to find a new roommate or a new room to live in when such an act occurs, but as long as there is adequate notice of the move by the Office of Residential Life to the student there is nothing that individual can do but pack his or her belongings and move to another location.

Instead of constantly complaining about being forced to move from one room to another in a dorm, perhaps the students of this university should spend just a few more minutes reading the terms and conditions of the Residence Hall Room and Board Agreement, so they are not as surprised when a move is forced upon them.

I know I will.

Tiffany Trichell is a junior english major. Her column appears weekly in *The Current Sauce*.



Letters to the Editor

Online Submission

Graduating senior wants to know why graduation is not on Saturday

Jeff Harman
Senior

I assumed that graduation would be held on a Saturday. Boy was I wrong.

As I recovered from my shock at being wrong, I began to wonder why graduation is held on a Friday instead of a Saturday.

I can't speak for everybody else, but my family has to drive for 3.5 hours to make it to Natchitoches. Also, each one of my family members has a job.

So, in order to see me graduate, my family members will each have to take a day off (if they can) and wake up extremely early on Friday (they could come up Thursday night, but that still makes them take off work on Friday).

It might just be me, but wouldn't it be so much more convienent for graduation to be on a Saturday. That way the majority of people are off of work already and they can have a more convient option of driving in Friday night or leaving early Saturday morning.

I have written this letter because I would like a satisfactory reason for graduation being held on a Friday. I addressed this issue in the student newspaper because it is an issue that will affect each one of us (if you graduate) and I think the administration owes all of us an answer.

So, please, whoever you are who can give us an answer, do so in the student newspaper because we come first. If, by chance, there is no satisfactory reason for graduation being held on Friday instead of Saturday then I would like to know how we, the students, can get the day changed to Saturday.

Lady Demon player thinks men's team gets too much coverage

LaTerrica Dobin
Junior

Lately the Lady Demons have been running the show.

Yes, the guys did win the conference tournment last season and sure they got rings to show for it, but this is a new year. We are 13-4 overall and 10-1 in conference.

Can we get a little bit of love in our own school newspaper.

Last week someone wrote why don't students support the ladies. Well, for one the current sauce don't put it out there in the paper.

If you don't notice we have ladies that are leading the conference and a couple in the top 15.

1) Angela Davidson leds the SLC in scoring 15.9(15th) 6.5 rpg, (8th) 3-pt. % (33%), (5th) 3-pt made

2)Anna Means leds the SLC in 3-pt% (44%)-(4th) 47% in field goals, (13th) steals, (10th) 3-pt made

3) Cooda Dobin leds the SLC in assist (9apg) -(1st) in assist to turnover ratio (9 to 4),(3rd) nation in assist overall (7.5), (3rd) in steals, (12th) in free throw percent

4) Tiffany Hall (19th) in SLC in rebounds, (10) in off. rebounds

5) Katrina Swanigan leds the SLC in blocked shots.

All we ask for is a little bit of love from the school paper. Also, we are on a 7-game winning streak. Hard as we work we should get a little bit of our props.

Congrats to our guys won a game.....

Online Submission

Reader complains of reverse discrimination at Iberville

Candice Detillier
Freshman

Employees of Iberville Dining Hall need to be taught the principle of equality. There have been several occasions where my friends and I have been discriminated against when being served.

Two recent experiences stand out the most when the word "discrimination" comes to mind.

The first of these was toward the end of last semester, when I walked up to the Deli Corner to get some chocolate ice cream. I thought nothing of it when the African-American woman told me that there was no more, until an African-American girl walked up behind me, and yes, she was served chocolate ice cream.

The second experience happened just weeks ago, this time to a white male student. He was in line at Grill Works to get a hamburger, and two African-American males were behind him. When he began to place his order, the

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Editor's*Take*

Good things are happening online, at www.currentsauce.com



Rondray Hill
Editor's Take

Are you familiar with the promo for "Good Morning America," the one where the guy is singing the song, "good things are... happening?"

That's the song I've been singing all semester. Good things are happening here at *The Current Sauce*. Our readership seems to be doubling with every edition we publish, and our staff has put together three exceptional publications this semester.

Three and counting, that is.

And good things are especially happening online. Our Web site, www.currentsauce.com, has experienced exponential growth. Over the last three weeks, www.currentsauce.com has had more hits than ever before. It is our goal to give you not only great stories and NSU news, but to also give you features online that you would not be able to get anywhere else.

You already know about some of the features we offer at www.currentsauce.com, including our Letter Submission service, online forums and message boards. These features, along with breaking news alerts and comprehensive news coverage, make currentsauce.com a great place to stop when web surfing.

In the next few weeks, we will add two new features. The first will be an expanded, online edition of Campus Connections. The online version will differ from the print version only in terms of letting you post an announcement on virtually anything. Need to let your organization know about next week's meeting? Want to wish your sorority sister happy birthday? No problem. Campus Connections online will provide unlimited space for you campus announcements.

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These additions are only the beginning. *The Current Sauce* is constantly looking for new features to help you, your organization or business. If you have any ideas or suggestions, please feel free to contact us. Our goal is to provide you with everything you expect from your newspaper.

Happy reading.

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Daily Entertainment Ideas

Monday

Part two of a seven-part series on things to do in Natchitoches

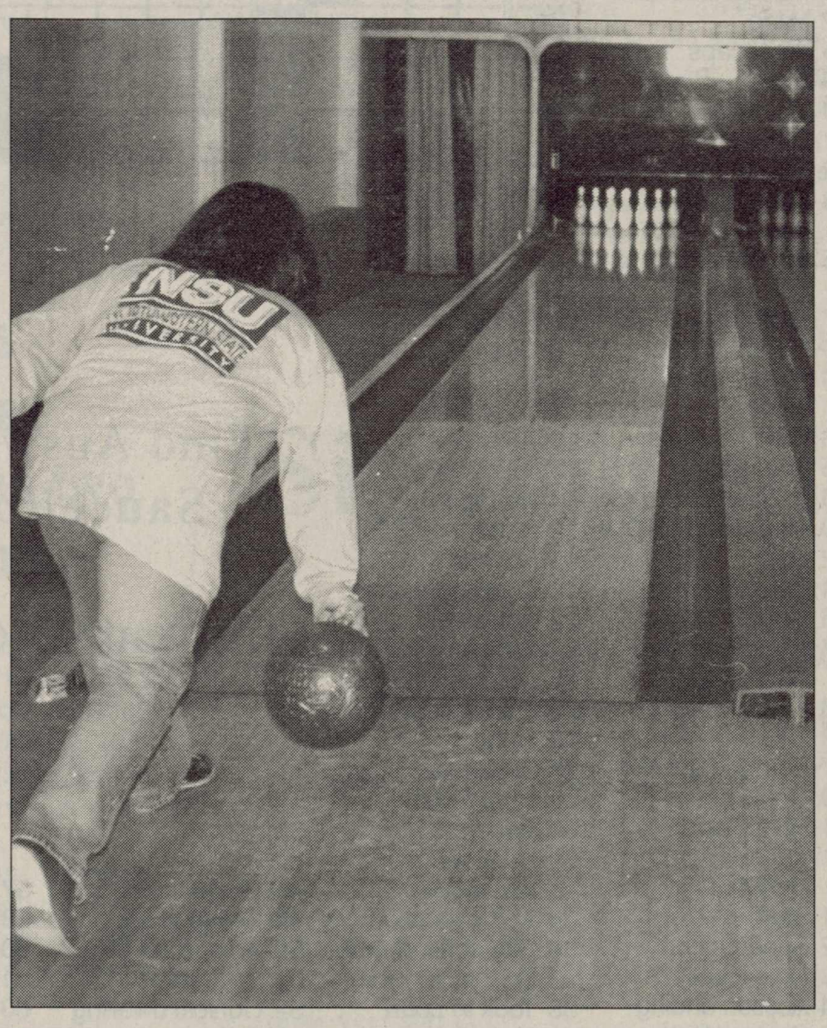


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Shauna Hemphill, an NSU student, begins a game of bowling at Country Lanes. Games are $3.25 each; shoes are an additional $1.75.

Monday's Hot Spot: Country Lanes Bowling and Mike's Marina

By Callie Reames
Sauce Reporter

You've come down with another case of the Mondays and are searching for the perfect dose of fun.

After your classes have ended you could grab a bite to eat at Mike's Marina on Cane River Lake. The small bar, located about five miles past Wal-Mart at 1209 Patrick Rd., has a pool table, dart board, video games and free food on Monday evenings.

The atmosphere is friendly and mellow, and compared to other large bars and clubs, Mike's is very small.

"It's real laid back and casual," Ashlie Fisher, a sophomore general studies major, said.

Mike Flynn, the owner of Mike's Marina, said there is usually a mix of the college crowd and older customers because of the atmosphere and size.

"You can meet people so much easier here," Flynn said.

Mike's Marina is open on Monday through Friday from 4 p.m. to 2 a.m., and on Saturday and Sunday from 12 p.m. to 2 a.m.

Another option for Mondays is a relaxing evening of bowling at Country Lanes on Highway 1. Games are $3.25 each and shoes cost $1.75. In addition to the lanes, there's a large room full of pool tables and video games.

Country Lanes is open from 4 to 10 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday; 2 p.m. to 12 p.m. on Friday; Noon to 1 a.m. on Saturday; and 2 p.m. to 10 p.m. on Sunday.

LOB runner-up prepares for next year's competition



Photo by Glenn Ward

Ashlee Greber, shown above, takes the title of first runner-up at the 43rd annual Lady of the Bracelet pageant.

Britton Faucon
Sauce Reporter

Miss Northwestern Lady of the Bracelet first runner-up Ashlee Greber said she plans to compete in the pageant next year.

She wishes to win the competition next year.

" It was a good experience," Gerber said. "I gained more confidence in myself. Having to get in a bathing suit in front of half of the student body was the hardest part of the competition."

Greber is a freshman nursing major from Bossier City. She has competed in beauty pageants for four years, including a win at the 2000 Miss Teen Louisiana pageant.

Despite her previous experience, Greber said she did not expect to get very far in the Miss Northwestern Lady of the Bracelet pageant and was very pleased her accomplishment as first runner-up.

Greber said her main focus for the pageant was her platform of "Reach Out and Read."

She said she has researched this platform for all four of her pageantry years.

In an effort to further promote literacy among children, she said she helped organize book drives and visited local clinics to read to patients.

Greber said that the clinic visits were very rewarding.

"Every time you go you have a different experience," she said. "All of the kids touch my heart."

Greber said she is currently encouraging her sorority, Phi Mu, to sponsor a book drive. She said this summer she will work on her platform by volunteering more hours of her free time to spreading literacy among children.

On Feb. 16 Greber will compete in the Miss Imperial Calcasieu beauty pageant in Lake Charles and the City of Roses pageant in Bossier. She said she hopes for a win that will send her to the Miss Louisiana pageant because her lifelong dream is to be named Miss Louisiana.

Greber said she will focus on improving her dance routine for the talent competition.

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Married Student Housing hopes to change title; Non-traditional Student Housing will soon be its title

Dominique Irvin
Sauce Reporter

Married Student Housing is going through changes.

"Our former policies and procedures still allowed us to do the things that we wanted to do, but I think we wanted to make them a little more specific," director of student services, Frances Conine said.

One of the changes being made is changing the name to non-traditional student housing.

"That's what we're trying to start calling it because all the students down there are not married students," Conine said.

"We get so many requests for non-traditional students to live down there. Some of them are students with children, some of them are students who have exceptionalities, [but] predominantly all the people down there are married,"Conine said.

Making changes to the program is not a new idea.

"This is our second part of married student housing," Conine said.

The first part of married student housing started after World War II.

"Everybody went to college after World War II on the GI Bill and a lot of those people who came back from the war were already married," Conine said.

Men now had the opportunity to go to college for free, but had to think about their wives. NSU began to provide married student housing. In the 1940s and 50s the buildings were located between College Avenue and the railroad tracks. Because of all of the veterans living in the houses the area used to be called "Vets Town."

"[Those buildings] have been torn down and what we have now is the next phase of that," Conine said.

There are 37 apartments available, two of which are set up for people with physical disabilities. Once all the paperwork is completed, applicants are placed on a waiting list.

"Right now the list is shorter than it's ever been," said Gwen Keran, office coordinator of the Housing Office.

Non-traditional housing is not just for married couples anymore and Conine wants students to be aware of that.

"We've changed the eligibility to accommodate the needs of students," Conine said.

"You'll have a 50-year-old woman who is divorced and has lived in a house. She's really not the kind of person to move into a girls' dorm, or a single man [who is] accustomed to living on his own and has some sort of handicap. [It's for] people that are better suited to living outside of a big community of 18 to 25-year-olds."

Having a taste for fat might be important

By Bob Condor
Chicago Tribune

Exactly when "fat free" became part of our vocabulary is not the point. It's more that fat-free muffins and cookies are still upending our taste buds like a linebacker tackling the quarterback from the blind side.

"There might be one or two products that deliver a rounded flavor," said Nancy Rodriguez, a professional taster and president of Food Marketing Support Services Inc. in the Chicago area. "But most fat-free muffins, cookies or cakes leave a glycerin taste or a palate-numbing sensation in your mouth."

Not exactly how you want to start your day or what you want to offer up at the school bake sale.

Richard Mattes agrees and can pull out the research studies to emphasize the point.

A few years ago, the Purdue University professor of food and nutrition published findings that showed people who eat a snack of nuts (hello, fat grams) an hour before dinner eat significantly less fat at the evening meal than individuals who munched on fat-free rice cakes.

Many nutritionists were happy for the evidence. It's now a recommended health strategy to eat some fat with each snack and meal, especially during breakfast when spreading peanut butter or olive oil on your bagel might transform your whole day. The advice is typically to eat unsaturated fats while limiting the saturated fats in animal foods and "trans" fats that derive from partially hydrogenated oils in processed foods. You will feel more satisfied and less hungry, which helps you stick to the eating plan.

Mattes' latest study is poised to turn some heads about fat for other reasons. He recently published a paper in the medical journal Psychology and Behavior that showed we can actually taste fat, similar to detecting whether a food is salty or sour.

"The prevailing view is we detect fat through texture or mouth feel but not taste," Mattes said.

In culinary circles, it has long been proposed that fat adds flavor to dishes, but the notion focused on mouth feel or carrying flavor rather than fat directly adding taste.

What's more, animal studies dating to the 1950s show that fat in foods can cause a rise in potentially unhealthful blood fat levels by merely smelling it.

Now there's a possible kick in the saucepan. Previously Mattes had demonstrated that blood fat levels increased simply by tasting fat, not even ingesting it. This blood reaction is a marker for taste.

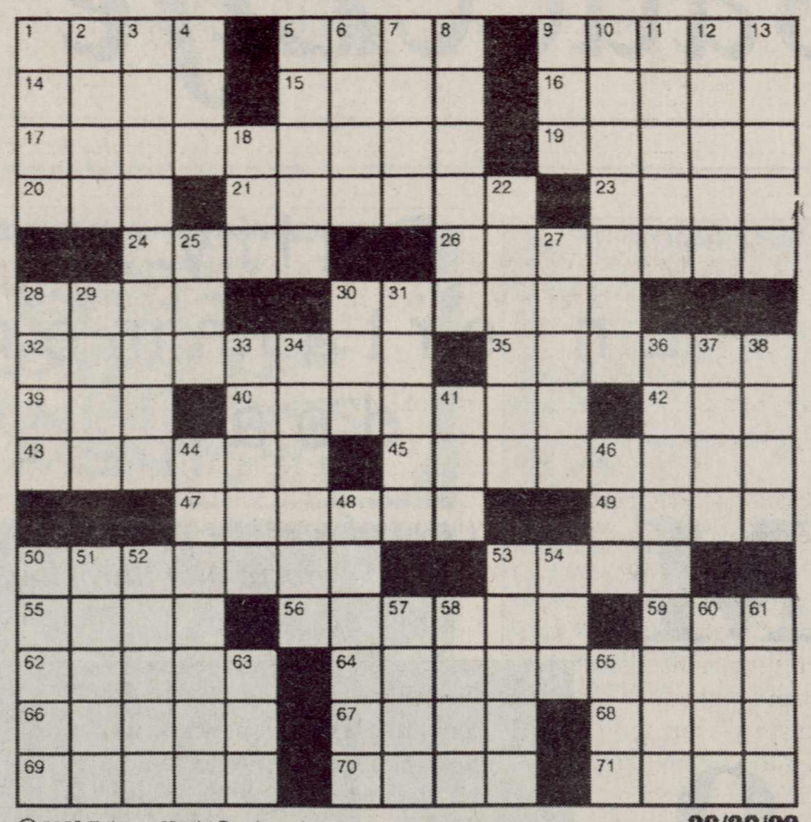
Following both leads, Mattes and his graduate students recruited 19 volunteers. They were divided into groups of subjects who tasted and smelled cream cheese on crackers, individuals who tasted but wore nose plugs, those who only smelled the snack and a control group that neither smelled nor tasted the crackers.

Not surprisingly, blood-fat levels rose three times as much in the group tasting and smelling the snack compared with the control group. More unexpected was a similar rise in subjects who tasted the snack but couldn't smell it. Fortunately for diners everywhere, merely inhaling the aroma of fat didn't increase blood levels.

As it turns out, the Purdue study could turn out to change cookbooks and lives in equal measure. The four traditional tastes of sweet, salty, sour and bitter have long been touted for adding flavor to meals. A fifth basic taste, umami (pronounced "ooh-mommy"), is now accepted by food scientists. It is the flavor of glutamate found in protein foods such as meats, seafood and aged cheese. The monosodium glutamate (MSG) in Asian dishes is another version of umami. It appears fat will join the other five human tastes, although Mattes emphasized that his study is just a starting point.

Mattes already is working on a follow-up study involving triglycerides and trying to pinpoint which people might need a stricter low-fat diet.
On a practical level, Mattes suggested that knowing fat is a taste and not just a texture could lead food processors to develop better "fat replacers." Or maybe we can just accept that some fat is OK and just keep fat-free packaged foods out of our pantries. Appetite and taste buds will be better for it.

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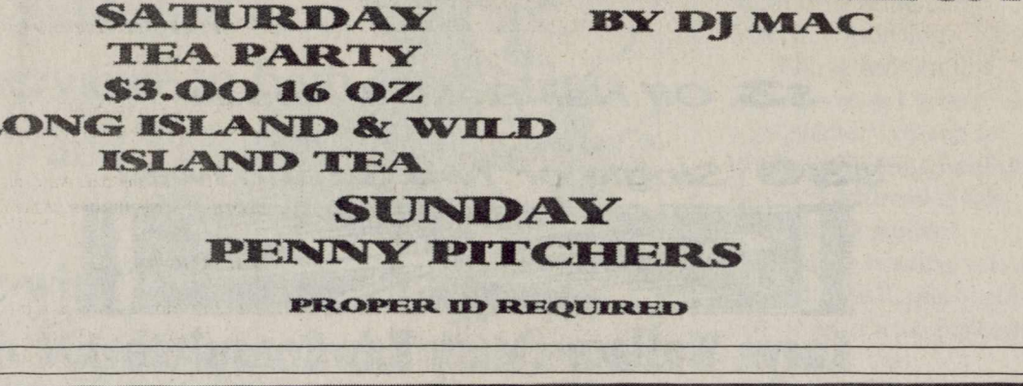
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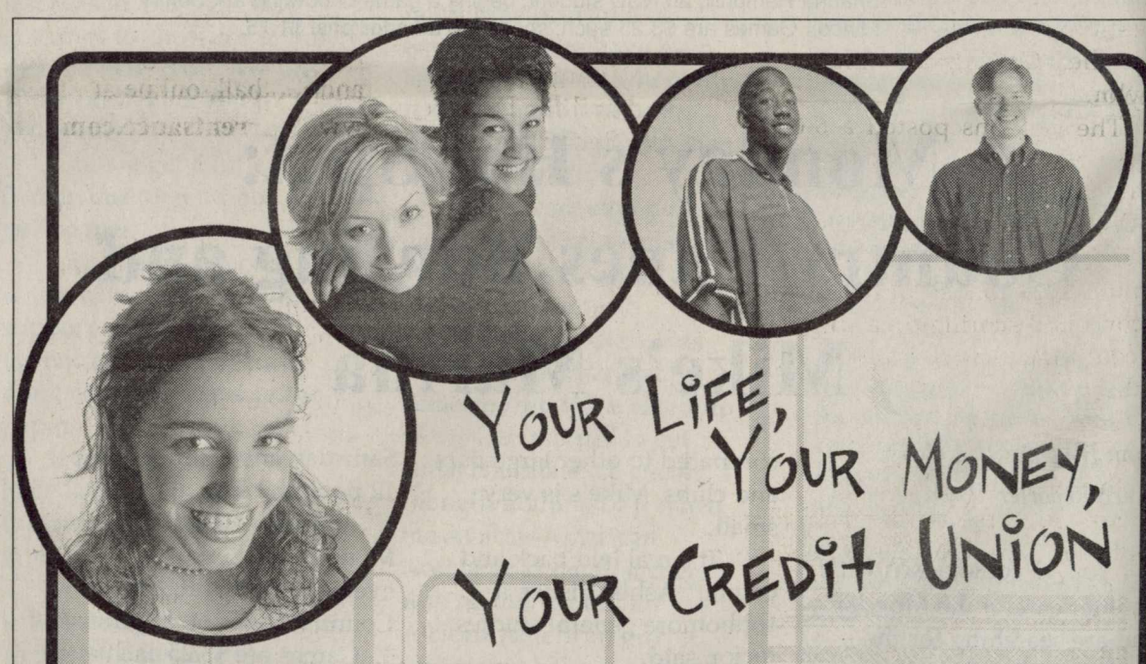
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A Valentine's love story; Polk and Davidson engaged

Jeremy Pace
Sauce Reporter

You may have heard of a movie called "Love and Basketball." Through the sport of basketball two people meet and become friends and eventually get married and live happily ever after to make a long story short.

You don't have to go to Blockbuster and rent "Love and Basketball" to witness how basketball brought two people together. NSU has it's own version of the basketball couple, and they are Angela Davidson and Alann Polk, and this is their story.

If fate had not stepped in then these two might not have ever met. Angela Davidson started off her collegiate basketball career at Ole Miss, but after her freshman season she left Mississippi and came to Natchitoches to play for the Lady Demons. **Con't on pg. 8**

Lady Demons roll to eighth consecutive win

Junior La'Terrica Dobin dished a career-high 16 assists along with 10 points and junior Jami Callais scored a career-high 16 points as the Northwestern State Lady Demon basketball team crushed Louisiana-Monroe, 91-76, in Prather Coliseum Wednesday night.

The Lady Demons (14-4, 11-1 SLC) outscored ULM 44-32 in the first half, shooting 52.6 percent from the field. Northwestern led by 30 points with 3:29 left in the second half but a flurry of three's by ULM's Mykayla Alewine allowed the Lady Indians (7-13, 5-8 SLC) to close the gap.

"I was very pleased with our shooting," said Lady Demon head coach James Smith. "Cooda (Dobin) passed the ball well tonight. She looks more for the assist now than the shot. Jami (Callais) shot the ball well and was able to finish some plays for us."

The win gave the Lady Demon's a season-high eight game winning streak.

Sauce Stats

Men's Basketball

Standings	W	L	%
Louisiana-Monroe	10	2	.833
McNeese State	11	3	.786
Texas-San Antonio	9	4	.692
Texas-Arlington	8	5	.615
Stephen F. Austin	6	6	500
Northwestern State	**6**	**6**	**.500**
Lamar	6	7	.462
Sam Houston State	6	8	.429
Southeastern Louisiana	5	8	.385
Southwest Texas	4	9	.308
Nicholls State	0	13	.000

Conference Leaders

Scoring Average

1. Powers, McEverett-UTSA	19.6
2. Barber, Steven-UTA	19.6
3. Brown, Devin-UTSA	18.2
4. Hendrix, Damany-LU	17.6
5. Byars-Dawson, Michael-NSU	**17.0**
6. Cole, Donald-SHSU	16.5
7. Coleman, Jason-MCN	16.1
8.Abdur-Rahim, Amir-SLU	15.9
9.Austin, Ron-LU	15.1
10.Click, Clay-SWT	14.9

If the conference tournament started today...

NSU (6) @ Texas-San Antonio (3)
ULM (1) hosts lowest remaining seed

SFA (5) @ Texas-Arlington (4)
McNeese(2) hosts highest remaining seed

Did you know...

Mike McConathy once scored 47 points in a game versus Lamar in 1976.

Women's Basketball

Standings	W	L	%
Stephen F. Austin	12	1	.923
Northwestern State	**11**	**1**	**.909**
Texas-Arlington	10	4	.727
Texas-San Antonio	8	4	.667
Southwest Texas	7	7	.500
Louisiana-Monroe	5	8	.417
Southeastern Louisiana	5	8	.385
McNeese State	5	10	.333
Nicholls State	4	9	.308
Lamar	4	10	.286
Sam Houston State	2	11	.154

Conference Leaders

Scoring Average

1. Davidson, Angela-NSU	**15.9**
2. Talbert, Tori-SWT	14.1
3.Christian, Eva-LU	13.7
4.Webster, Ann- SLU	13.1
5. Johnson, Alice-SHSU	12.9
6. Ogunoye, Rola-UTA7.	12.0
7. Burbridge, Kellie-MCN	11.9
8. Broussard, Mandy-NICH	11.6
9.Alewine, Mykayla-ULM	11.5
10. Butler, Danielle-ULM	11.4

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Did you know...

Lady Demon Pam Hudson owns the conference career scoring average which is 24.8 points per game from 1988-1990

Softball

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SU-- Roberts and Jackson
NSU-- Ortego and Frasier.

W-Ortego (1-2). L-Roberts (0-3).

NSU 1, UTA 0
2/3/02

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NSU-- Miller and Nichols
UTA-- Cox and Krebs.

W-Miller (2-0). L-Cox (1-2).

This weekend

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8 Western Michigan	8:00 PM
9 Jackson State	12:00 PM
9 LSU	2:00 PM
10 Seed #1 vs. Sat. Night winner	9:00 AM
10 Seed #2 vs. #3	11:00 AM
10 Championship Game	1:00 PM

Miller throws perfect game, Softball takes two at tournament

Northwestern State sophomore pitcher Crista Miller was named Southland Conference softball pitcher of the week Tuesday after throwing a perfect game and a shutout in two outings last weekend.

Miller, a Baton Rouge-Parkview Baptist product, threw the third perfect game in NSU history Saturday against Southern. She struck out 10 in a five-inning win ended by the eight-run rule.

The Demons posted a pair of shutout wins Sunday, including a one-hitter by Amanda Ortego, to cap the Getterman Classic at *Baylor*.

The Demons posted a 6-0 win over Southern, with Ortego allowing only a two-out fifth inning infield single. Northwestern edged Texas-Arlington 1-0 with Annie Johnston singling, stealing second and scoring on a single by Nicole Martin with two out in the fifth.

Northwestern (3-3) got a solo homer by Alisha Cory, her second of the weekend, to highlight a three-run first inning against Southern. Jana Strickland added an RBI double.

The Demons got a run-scoring single in the third by Martin and a second RBI ground out by Lindsey Leftwich for a 5-0 lead. Dawn Normand had a sacrifice bunt to score the final run in the sixth.

Ortega (1-2) struck out 14 a day after Crista Miller fanned 10 Jaguars in a five-inning perfect game. Miller (2-0) had seven strikeouts and allowed six hits to UTA.

"We're pleased to get a couple of wins. We need to improve our hitting with runners in scoring position and we'll work on those situations this week in practice," said Demon coach Ty Singleton, whose team plays at the LSU Tournament next weekend.

National Signing Day

Signing on the dotted line

Demon soccer picks up seven new recruits. Oh yeah... football got a few new players

By Rondray Hill
Editor

A highly recruited in-state midfielder and a three-year star at Columbine High School highlight the seven new recruits signed by Jimmy Mitchell and the Demon Soccer team.

National Signing Day

View the entire list of recruits, including soccer and football, online at **www.currentsauce.com**

Shortly after Mitchell made his announcement, Scott Stoker and the NSU football team announced they received 20 letters of intent from high school seniors earlier that morning.

In all, a total of 27 high school recruits from across the country were introduced to a crowd of about 55 NSU supporters at the annual Signing Day press conference held at the NSU Fieldhouse.

"To get such a good group of players in the time we had was really impressive," said new Demon head coach Scott Stoker. "We simply wanted to get the best available player. We didn't try to fill any need."

The prize of this year's class, according to Stoker, is Baton Rouge Central **Con't on pg. 8**

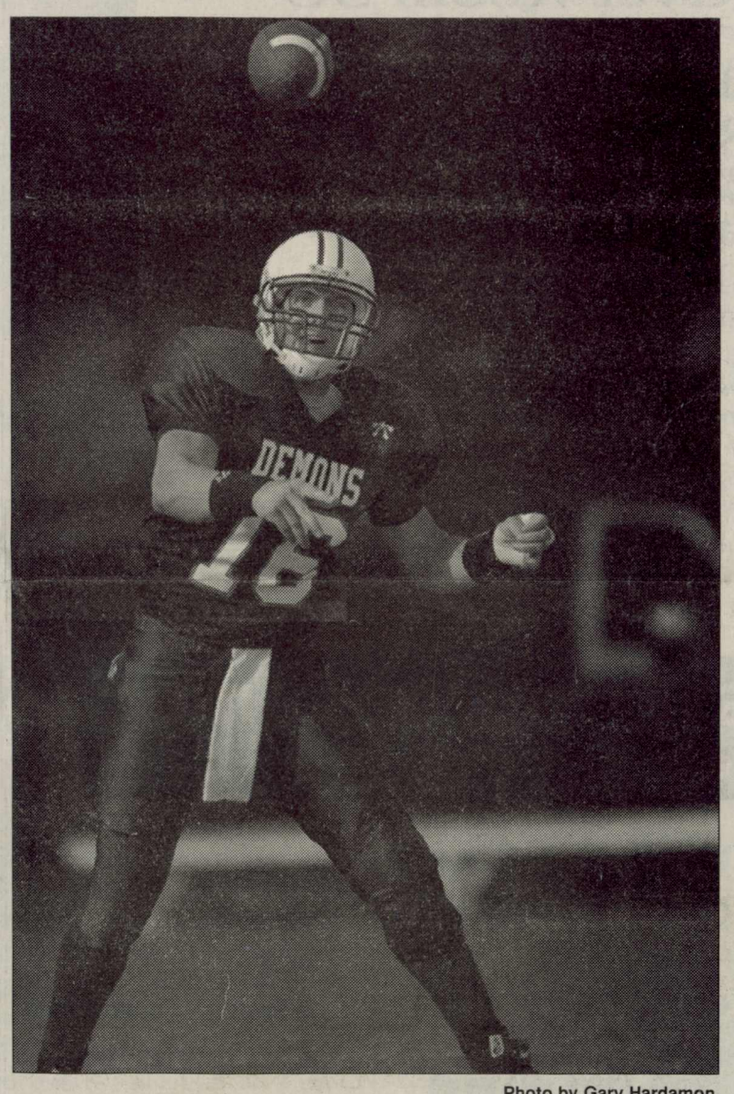


Photo by Gary Hardamon
The Demons picked up 20 commitments from high school seniors yesterday. Ryan Lewis, a QB from Baton Rouge, may be the one to replace Craig Nall after this season.

Isn't that the guy from 'The West Wing'? Not quite

By Rondray Hill
Editor

Yes, Toby Ziegler will be playing for the Demons next season.

Just not *that* Toby Ziegler.

The Toby Ziegler who will suit up for the Demons in future seasons is a 6-1 wide receiver from Neville High School in Monroe. He was an all-district senior with 47 catches and 12 touchdowns with the 10-3 Neville Tigers.

He also has the distinction of sharing a namesake with the other Toby Ziegler, the chief speechwriter for President Josiah Bartlett in the NBC drama "The West Wing."

Ziegler the TV star, who is played by veteran actor Richard Schiff, spends most of his time on the show thinking up snappy one liners and avoiding partisan landminds for Martin Sheen. Ziegler the football player, averaged 18.6 yards per catch and totaled 875 yards last season while helping Neville to an 8-4 record and second-round playoff appearance.



Photo courtesy of NBC
Even though Toby Ziegler shares the name with Toby Ziegler, the guy pictured above will not suit up for the Demons next year

Baseball Preview

Gaspard, Demons ready to chase a conference crown, NCAA tourney

By Janie Warren
Sauce reporter

With a new head coach, an excellent poll record, and strong players, the demon baseball team has a lot to look forward to this season.

Head coach Mitch Gaspard may be new on the NSU field, but he has a great deal of drive and motivation for the responsibilities of his new coaching job.

Gaspard was the assistant coach to Dave Van Horn at the University of Alabama for seven years. Although Gaspard said that it was hard leaving his team, his friends, and his acquaintances in Alabama, he enjoys being at NSU.

"Baseball wise, this has definitely been a good challenge," Gaspard said. "The community has been very supportive, and the team has taken to my philosophies on the field."

As for his expectations concerning the team, Gaspard said that he hopes to get in the post-season play consistently and make the regional tournament.

The Demons have won seven of the 14 championships in the past Southland Conference baseball games. NSU (19-8 SLC last season) was also first in the pre-season Southland Conference poll.

Coach Gaspard anticipates the upcoming season because of the positive attitudes and strong wills of his players. "Pitching and defense are excellent, and we have good team speed," Gaspard said. "The players have been very positive and the best transition has been the way the players take to me."

The first home game is scheduled for February 15 at 7 p.m. against the University of Louisiana-Monroe. The Indians are picked to finish third in pre-season polls.

Coach Gaspard said that he looks forward to the outcome of the season for the Demons because everyone on the team is older and well prepared. "We have 16 seniors, and since day one, we've been on a mission to get to post-season play," Gaspard said. "We have to set the standard in winning."

Polk and Davidson

There at a summer basketball camp a mutual friend of Polk and Davidson introduced the two and they quickly became friends.

Their friendship soon turned into a relationship the more time they spent together.

"At first it was hard having someone critique me, the truth hurts sometimes, but now I am at a different level mentally, two sets of eyes is definitely better than one," Polk said.

Davidson also explained how Polk has helped improve her game.

"I am stronger and more physical now since I started playing basketball with Alann, I'm not afraid to play basketball with the guys now," Davidson said. If you ask either of the two who is the better basketball player expect the answer to be whomever you just asked, both Davidson and Polk are very passionate when it comes to basketball.

Wedding bells could be heard in the near future because the two are now engaged to be married. Neither are positive when the big day is going to be though.

Polk, who is a senior this year said, "After this season I will continue to pursue basketball, and I would like to be financially stable before we get married." Davidson still has another year of college basketball eligibility, and all these circumstances will play a part in planning the wedding day.

Davidson and Polk not only depend on each other dealing with basketball but also with every day life.

"Alann gives me guidance, he keeps me on track, and he is a good listener," Davidson said.

Signing Day

Quarterback Ryan Lewis, who threw for over 5,000 yards in his final two seasons of high school.

For the Demon soccer team, Heather Penico scored 30 goals in her senior senior at Bishop Verot HS while Katie Crona led the Columbine Rebels to a No. 1 ranking last year.

"They all have the potential to come in and make an impact immediately," Mitchell said.

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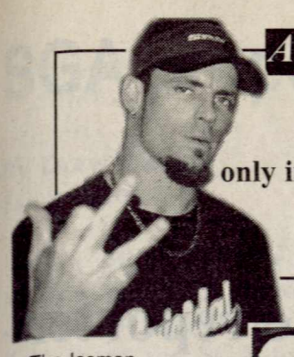
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Southwest Texas considers name change

You've heard of Florida State, Michigan State and Ohio State. Get ready for Texas State.

The Board of Regents for Southwest Texas State University will vote Thursday on a proposal by administrators to change the name to Texas State University.

Administrators say the San Marcos school's bi-directional, regional moniker is out of date and reflects the 103-year-old school's past.

U-Kansas

U-Kansas, fraternity sued in fatal crash

The family of a Lawrence, Kan., woman killed by an intoxicated teen-age driver sued the University of Kansas *and* a fraternity house where he allegedly drank.

The lawsuit, filed this week, also names as defendants the teen-ager and his mother and stepfather, who allegedly provided him with alcohol.

Felicia A. Bland, 39, was killed Sept. 16, 2000, when a car driven by Sean M. Scott, 16, collided with her car in western Johnson County, Kan.

His stepfather, Lawrence Rieke, was recently charged by Douglas County, Kan., prosecutors with supplying alcohol to a minor on the night of the crash.

Texas A&M

Texas A&M tries new tactic to attract minorities

Under a plan tentatively approved by regents in December, the school would pursue the top 20 percent of students at about 250 high schools deemed low-performing or disadvantaged. S special emphasis also will be placed on schools that send few or no students to Texas A&M.

The students would be admitted if they score 920 on the SAT and took the right high school courses.

The goal is to tap into schools that don't normally send students to Texas A&M.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy 21st birthday to **Tina Mouton**. Tina turns 21 today. She is a junior CIS major.

From Laci Oertling

To submit a birthday, please send your name, classification, birthdate and age to currentsauce@hotmail.com.

In Remembrance



Photo courtesy of the Rodgers family

Major J. Reid Rodgers celebrates with his wife Lisa Mitchum Rodgers at his side. Maj. Rodgers will be remembered most for his firm teaching style and his dedication to molding the students of the ROTC department into future leaders.

University students honor their fallen Major

By Jennifer Bocanegra
Sauce Reporter

At first, Cadet Battalion Commander Jason James and Major John Reid Rodgers weren't close.

"My whole (junior) year, I didn't like Maj. Rodgers very much," James said. "I didn't think he liked me nor any of the other (junior) cadets. I think he did this for a reason."

James said Rodgers' goal was to train cadets to perform successfully at advanced camp.

"Rodgers was not there to be a friend. He was there to be a mentor, a leader and a professional," James added.

On Monday, the ROTC department held a memorial service in honor of the 37-year-old Rodgers, who died Friday of a heart attack. He left behind his wife Lisa and his two sons, Jordan, 12 and Bryce, 4.

Rodgers began working with the Demon Battalion in 1999 where he served as the Operations Officer and a military science instructor. Students saw Rodgers as an unfriendly instructor with a gruff demeanor.

Lt. Col. Clayton Chandler, Demon Battalion Commander said Rodgers did this because he was dedicated to molding cadets into the future leaders of our Army.

"He knew each of his cadets inside and out and although they perceived him as one tough... well you know what, he always had the cadets' best interest at heart," Chandler said.

In Chandler's remarks at Monday's memorial service, he recognized Rodgers' accomplishments not only as an instructor and co-worker, but also as a fallen soldier.

"We bid farewell to Major John Reid Rodgers; an outstanding officer who understood and embraced what officership and soldiering is all about," he said.

Capt. Mark Levine, Demon Battalion Retention Officer said that Rodgers had a great passion that for his job. Rodgers began his 16-year-long career as an infantry officer with the North Carolina National Guard. He later transferred to combat engineering and entered the Active Army. He participated in the Hurricane Andrew Relief Effort. He also deployed to Southwest Asia for Operation Vigilant Warrior, where he was involved in several close combat engagements.

"He truly loved his profession, he embodied the warrior spirit that makes our Army great," Levine said.

"Once you go to the advanced camp, you do well at the things he trained you on," James said. "You come back, and then Maj. Rodgers would allow you to be his friend a little bit."

H&R Block and Job Location office offers tax preparation course to NSU students

By Rob Morgan
Sauce Reporter

Northwestern State University students gained some practical knowledge about basic tax preparation and state and federal tax laws this fall thanks to H & R Block and the Job Location and Development office on campus.

This was made possible by an arrangement between NSU and H & R Block to offer students a free tax preparation course, which typically costs the public $300. After finishing the course, students are awarded with a certificate to prove their completion of the program.

Students passing the course's final test with an 80% or higher grade are considered for employment by H & R Block. H & R Block pays students $6.50 an hour and works around their class schedule. In the fall of 2001 10 students completed the course and seven were hired to help H & R Block's customers with basic tax preparations.

Evie Posey, job location and development officer, contacted H & R Block about placing students there during tax season, and she had a number of students who were interested in the opportunity.

"When I approached H & R Block Suzanne (Smith) counter-approached me about possibly training people," Posey said, "and she would be willing to come and train students on our campus free of charge."

Suzanne Smith is the owner of the H & R Block offices in Natchitoches and Marksville. Smith, Posey and Nat Briscoe, a professor of accounting at the Poindexter Foundation, put the training program together.

The first class with H & R Block started in the fall of 2000. It is offered every fall and summer, but not in the spring because the students—if hired—begin applying their training during the tax season in the office.

Edward Boudreaux, a Scholars' College senior, completed the fall 2001 training session and is currently working at a local H & R Block office.

Boudreaux recommended that any student with a business background should get involved with this program.

"It gives you an advantage that you learn the tax code, so that when you do your own personal taxes or taxes for your friends you learn where to put money and how to save money," Boudreaux said.



Photo by Callie Reames

The Student Activities Board hosted Kumba dancing on Tuesday in the Student Union Ballroom. The event was held under the Campus Trends, a committee of the SAB. Several students came out for the event.

SGA bill gives students 24-hour computer lab, sort of

By Kira Gervais
Sauce Reporter

The Student Government Association passed a bill last semester for a 24-hour student computer lab, which is now located in the Health and Human Performance Building.

Greg Comeaux, a member of the Student Technology Advisory Team (STAT), said Mindy McConnell developed and proposed the bill for a 24-hour student lab on November 12, 2001. The Senate passed the bill on November 26, 2001.

STAT is responsible for the running and funding of all student labs on campus, Speaker of the Senate Dustin Floyd said. Floyd said STAT is made up of four students from the Natchitoches campus, one from Leesville, one from Alexandria, and one from Shreveport.

SGA President Rusty Broussard is the head of STAT, which distributes $1.2 million for student labs on campus. The money that STAT distributes comes from student technology fees that students pay at fee payment each semester. Floyd said he comes up with the budget items for approval, and all members get one vote to decide on funding for the labs.

Comeaux said STAT meets about once a month in order to discuss any business regarding on-campus student labs. He said STAT was developed about five years ago when technology became a large part of the university.

The new 24-hour student lab opened at the beginning of this spring semester, said Comeaux. Currently, it is not open a full seven days a week. Comeaux said the lab is open from 2 p.m. on Sunday until midnight on Wednesday.

STAT is trying to watch the use of the 24-hour lab to see if the students are using the lab, said Comeaux. The lab is getting a pretty good turnout so far, but Comeaux said it is early in the semester. He said as teachers begin assigning more work, they would really be able to tell how students will use the lab.

If the students are not using the lab like STAT hoped, Comeaux said STAT would probably not completely close the lab.

"I don't see them ending it fully," Comeaux said. "They may regulate the hours more."

Spring 2002 Student and Dorm Labs Schedule

Health and Human Performance, Room 129
Sunday 2 p.m. - Wednesday 12 a.m.
Thursday 8 a.m. - 12 a.m.
Friday 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sunday 6 p.m. - 12 a.m.

Student Union, Room 235
Monday - Thursday 8 a.m. - 10 p.m.
Friday 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sunday 2 p.m. - 10 p.m.

Watson Library, Room 113
Monday - Thursday 8 a.m. - 11 p.m.
Friday 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Saturday 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sunday 2 p.m. - 10 p.m.

Boozman Dorm
Monday - Thursday 8 p.m. - 12 a.m.
Sunday 6 p.m. - 12 a.m.

Rapides Dorm
Monday - Thursday 8 p.m. - 12 a.m.
Sunday 6 p.m. - 12 a.m.

Sabine 1st Floor
Monday - Thursday 8 p.m. - 12 a.m.
Sunday 6 p.m. - 12 a.m.

Sabine 2nd Floor
Monday - Thursday 8 p.m. - 12 a.m.

Student On-Line Support (S.O.S)
357-6696
Monday 9 a.m. - 12 p.m./1 p.m. - 4 p.m./7 p.m. - 10 p.m.
Tuesday 9:30 a.m. - 11 a.m./2 p.m. - 5 p.m.
Wednesday 9 a.m. - 12 p.m./1 p.m. - 4 p.m.
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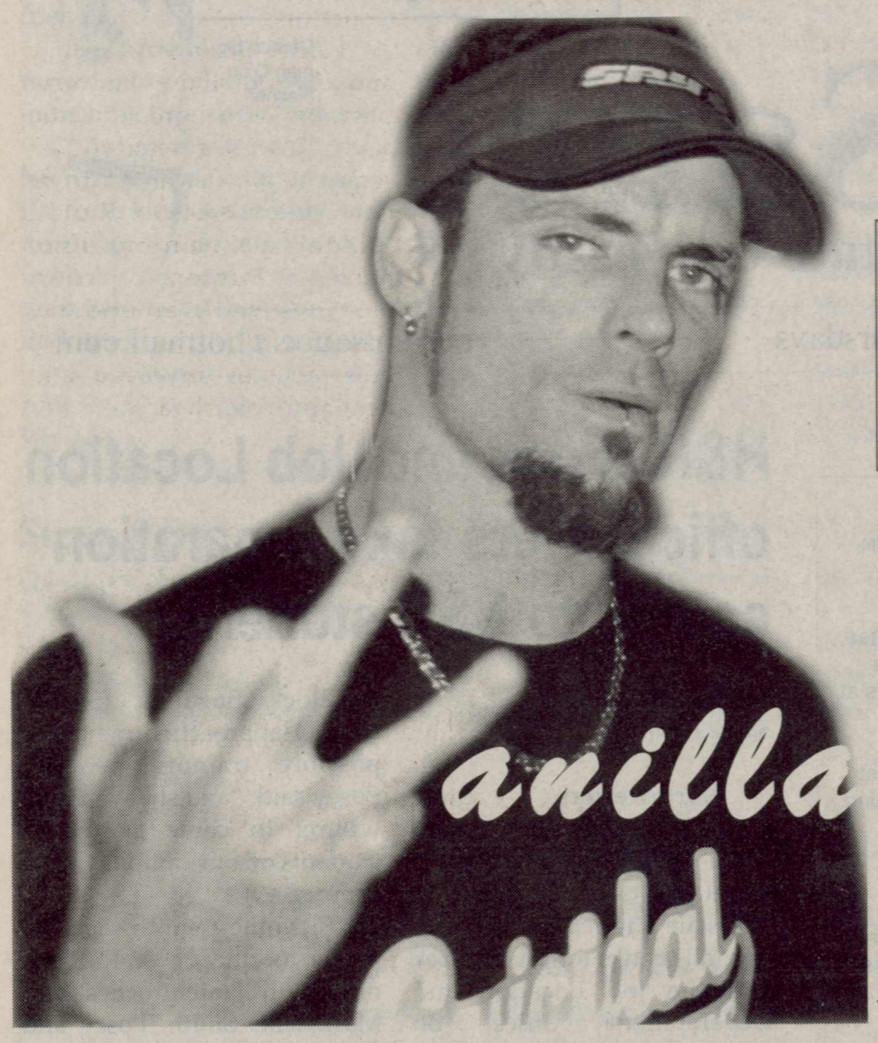
To The Extreme...

'The Iceman' takes time to flow with a Sauce reporter

Photos and story by Glenn Ward

<u>Important</u>: Please read this before reading story.

The following piece is a word-for-word account of the interview with Vanilla Ice. The story contains graphic vulgarities and language that some may find offensive. The views expressed in the story may not reflect those of *The Current Sauce*, the Department of Journalism, the student body, or officials of Northwestern State University.



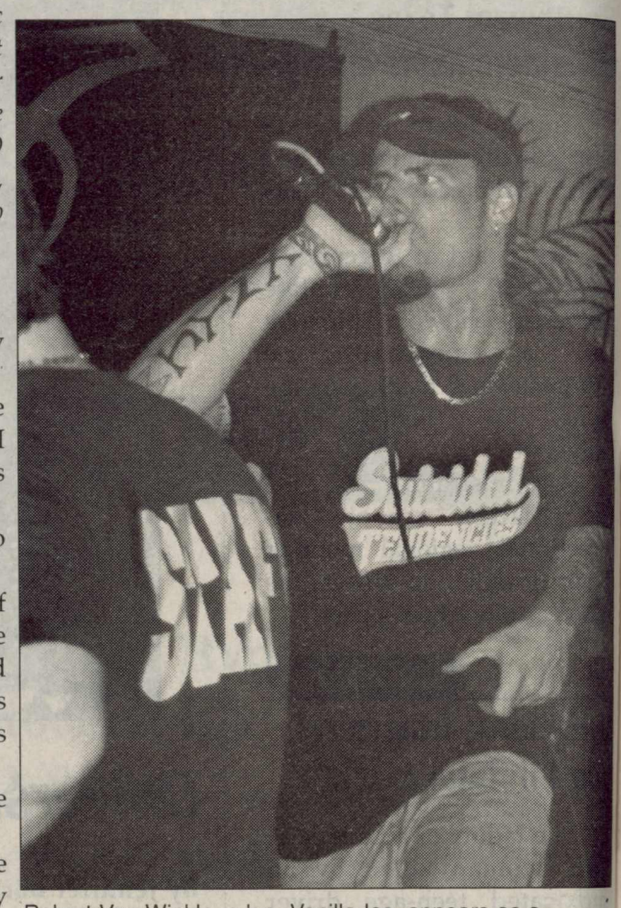
When I got a call from KNWD to interview Vanilla Ice, I thought it was a joke. This guy used to pack stadiums, and now he is playing in local hole-in-the-wall beer troughs. I questioned the newsworthiness, but then remembered this is The Current Sauce I am writing for. I smiled the whole drive to Monroe's Cooter Bay, where Ice was to perform.

Yeah, I will admit it, I used to bob my head to "Ice, Ice Baby" walking to seventh grade English class. And sometimes, on cloudy nights when nobody is home, I will lock the door, flip off the lights and turn on "Play That Funky Music." Go white boy.

It has been over a decade since Vanilla Ice, born Robert Van Winkle, released his major-label debut record, "To The Extreme," which went multi-platinum and established him in the annals of rap-dom. After spending 18 weeks at No.1 in the charts, V-Ice's career began to melt...and did not stop.

"Music should not be about a gimmick. Music should not be about an image. Music should be about the muthafuckin music," V-Ice said as he took Cooter Bay's stage in front of approximately 40 people. "He has good stage presence, seems real," KNWD production assistant Michael "Big Mike" Thomas said. Later on in Ice's set, Thomas and KNWD production director Brad Hartley accepted Vanilla's offer to freestyle rap on stage. Both had an impressive stand-up.

After the concert, Ice sat down with us to answer a few questions.



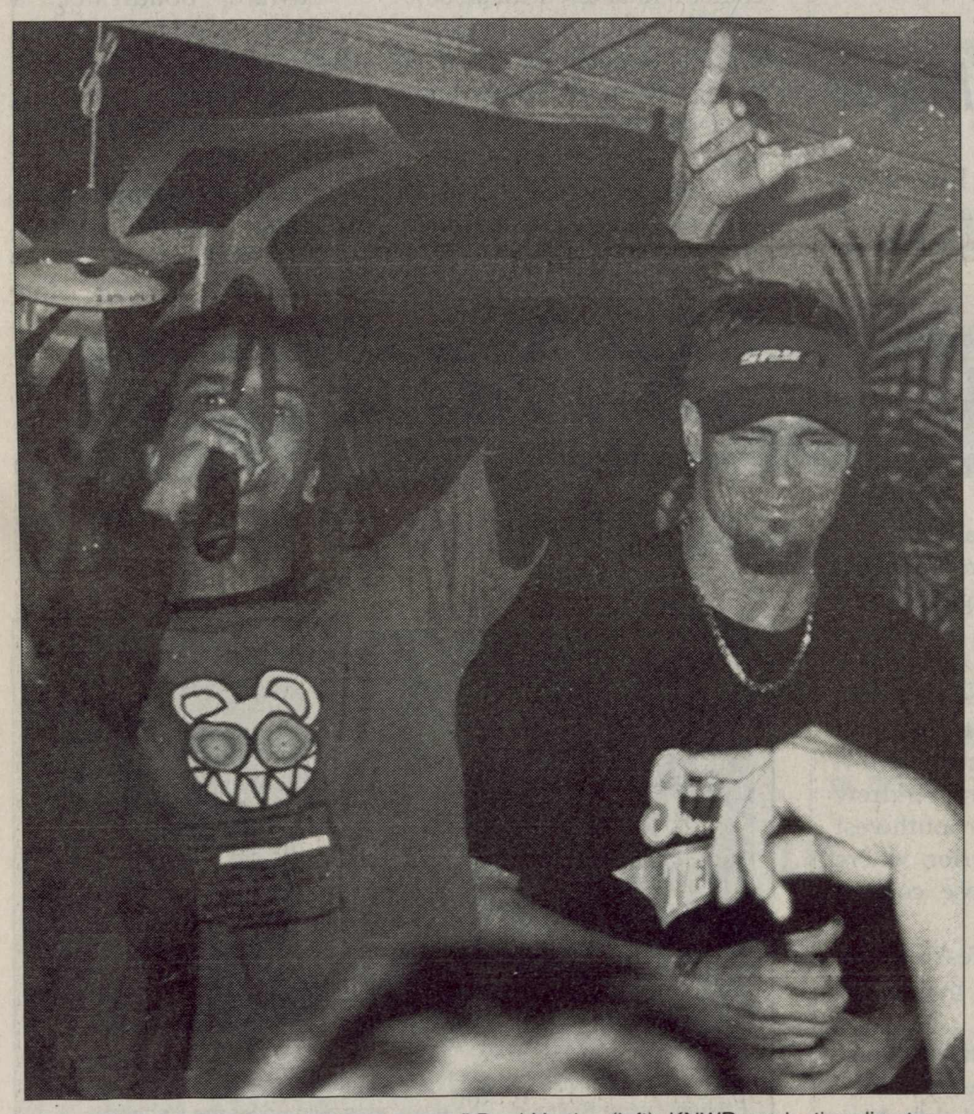
Robert Van Winkle, a.k.a. Vanilla Ice, appears as a character on the Playstation 2's MX 2002 Ricky Carmicheal motorcross game.

Glenn Ward: You've had two albums since the late '80's stuff, "Hard To Swallow" in '98 and just recently "Bipolar." They are both dark, heavy and extremely explicit, a huge jump from the first stuff. Where are you taking it next?

Vanilla Ice: Basically I'm just gonna stay me, I'm not gonna be influenced by money. I sold 17 million records and I'm gonna do whatever the fuck I want...make whatever kind of music I wanna make. You know, I made good investments and didn't end up like (M. C.) Hammer, all broke...I don't have to come out here...but I love making music...what you just saw out there, feeding off the energy and freestyling with my dogs (Thomas and Hartley) here.

GW:What was it like doin hip-hop with Chuck D., LA Tha Darkman (from the Wu Tang Clan), Insane Clown Posse, and then switching over to metal with Josh Brainard of Slipknot, Billy Millano of SOD, and Ross Robinson (produced for Korn and LB).

VI: Well, the hardcore shit, I toured with a band called Scarhead, so I got mad props up in the east coast...and the Wu Tang clan, I did a lot of shows with them and what they do I got mad respect for, and when I go to New York, I stay at their houses, I get love from them. And ten on the hardcore scene, I've toured with Sick of It All like I've said, Slipknot, I'm real good friends with all those guys. I like to motocross with them and shit. They're real good guys from Des Moines Iowa, just cool ass rednecks that are sick. I've done shows with Soulfly...good groups man. It's fun to get together with some friends and vibe.



"I think I am going to be a big rapper now," Brad Hartley (left), KNWD production director, said after "flowing" with Vanilla Ice during his set. "I'm gonna call myself 'Mocha Ice', like a mocha chino because I'm brown and that's what I'm gonna do, yep."

GW: Are underground fans more receptive to what you are doing new?

VI: Absolutely, the ones that understand and can get past the stigma, the whole name with the playa-hatin on V-Ice. That's why I never changed my name, it's basically because it's not about a name, it's about music. A lot of people come out and try to be hardcore and they realize it doesn't sell, so they go mainstream, sorta like Limp Bizkit or Korn. Basically I went the other way. So I'm getting mad respect from the underground people for not making some commercialized, mainstream, radio-friendly bullshit...

GW: How do you feel about your peers in the industry taking shots at you?

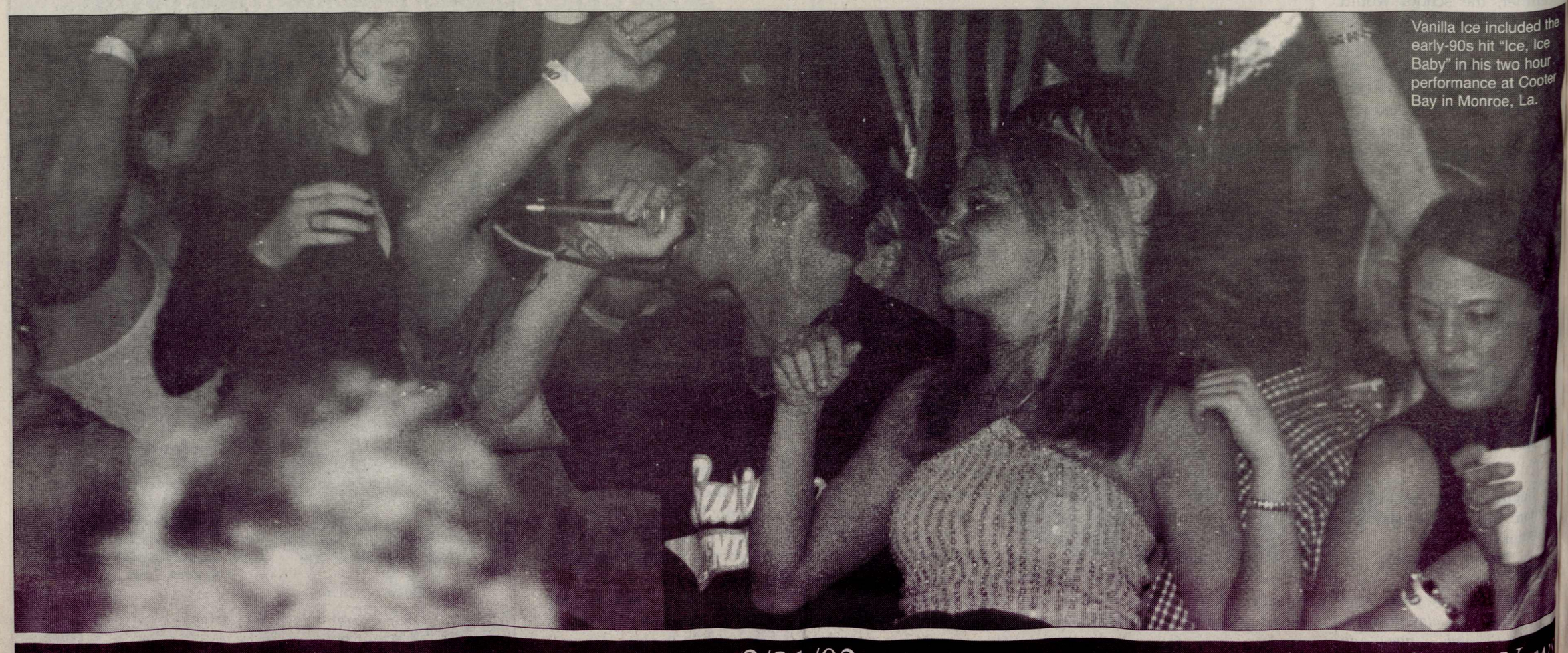
VI: I'm flattered by all of it because they know who I am and I don't know who they are...It's obvious that I left an impact whether positive or negative...I own a piece of time so all they're doin is playa-hatin on a stigma. They need to get over it. I write my own shit, it's not fake.

GW: I've heard everybody else talk about the (Marion) "Suge" Knight scandal, like on VH-1, but I never got to hear your side. What happened?

(Rumors abound that Knight, founder of Death Row Records, allegedly threatened Ice by dangling him over a hotel balcony to get him to sign a contract with Death Row. Regardless, Ice had said in other interviews that he eventually gave Knight $180 million to fund Death Row.)

VI: Well...that's just shit that happened along time ago...that's all right, I'll tell you whatever man. It doesn't bother me... It's just basically he did it to Jerry Heller... to Eazy E., to all kinds of people... Arsenio Hall... just strong-armin people. He learned that whole thing, and I'm just one of the people he got, and he got a lot of money but I look at it in a positive way because like I told ya'll earlier, I made good investments, I still got a lot of money...and basically I contributed to three of the most famous biggest hip-hop records in artists of all time. The Cronic record-- funded by my money. Tupac-- funded by my money. Deathrow records-- funded by my money. Snoop Dogg-- funded by Vanilla fuckin Ice. Nobody ever associated me with gangsta rap, but I'll let you know I was here when that shit started. I was on the Stop the Violence tour with Ice-T...People need to understand the story, anybody in my shoes would of done the same thing. If you were given millions of dollars to wear baggy pants and a certain hairdo...I told 'em no and they said, "here's a million dollars will you do it" and I said I'll fuckin lick my mother's asshole for a million dollars. So I did that shit and anybody who'd deny and playa-hate, they know they'd do the same damn thing. Fuck them.

Later this year, Ice plans to play shows with other groups, including The Misfits, Sick of It All, and hop on the Ozzfest tour. When asked if he would consider doing the KNWD sponsored Demonfest he expressed interest, "if somebody calls me we will try to work it out, fuck yeah."



Vanilla Ice included the early-90s hit "Ice, Ice Baby" in his two hour performance at Cooter Bay in Monroe, La.

SGA proposes bill to limit club sports funds; four new Supreme Court members

By Drew David
Sauce Reporter

A bill proposed at Monday's SGA meeting sought to tighten the cash flow from the SGA to club sports and organizations at Northwestern State University.

Bill SP02-002, proposed by Fiscal Committee chairman Frank Toro, sought to limit the amount of funds given to club sports and organizations and instill a constitutional amendment requiring all club sports and organizations to supply at least 30 percent of the funds necessary for their operations.

Although Toro introduced the bill he was not the main vocal supporter of it. The mainstay of encouragement for the bill came from that of Buster Carlisle, head of student affairs.

"The original bill was perfect the way it was written," Carlisle said. "The loophole everybody was worried about was having a leniency on the thirty percent." Carlisle added, " In the past we've told people, ' You have to raise this much money or we're not going to help you.' They (club and organization leaders) would say, 'We couldn't raise the money.' We would help them out anyways. Carlisle reiterated, " I've never seen us tell somebody no because they didn't raise the money, this bill would just get it in writing. Because when the new I.M. building comes up that $68,000 (of the SGA budget) is going to go quick."

> ***"Its good for the organization to raise the money, but the money in the budget is there and is set aside for these things and we should not have the constitution forcing them (clubs and organizations) to raise the money."***
>
> **Greg Comeaux**
> **SGA member**
> **About bill SP02-002**

Buster's chief opponent was Greg Comeaux, who also gave his position on the issue.

"What I was opposed to was the constitution forcing them to raise a set amount of funds," Comeaux said. "Its good for the organization to raise the money, but the money in the budget is there and is set aside for these things and we should not have the constitution forcing them (clubs and organizations) to raise the money."

All budgetary issues aside, four new appointments were made by the SGA on Monday. The appointments of Torrey Washington, Adam Stohl, and Keith Gates as members of the senate were all approved. Also, Sharmyn Little stepped down as a senator in order to receive her appointment of Supreme Court Justice.

Little feels optimistic and excited about her new position." I feel great," Little said. "I was a senator last semester and I wanted to be one this semester but I couldn't maintain my office hours. Supreme court meetings work around my schedule," Little said. "I hope to stay involved and keep my voice heard."

Minutes 02-18-02

I. Call to Order- 7:00 p.m.
The prayer was lead by Beau Boudreaux. The pledge was lead Mindy McConnell.

Roll Call
Present
Leanna Anderson
Leslie Bean
Beau Boudreaux
Rusty Broussard
Buster Carlisle
Greg Comeaux
Stacie Cosby
Dustin Floyd
Tometrius Grier
Liz Hughes
Luke Hutchison
Jennifer Jensen
Sharmyn Little
Linzie Ledford
Scott Manguno
Dustin Matthews
Mindy McConnell
Adam Pennell
Patrick Peoples
Absent
Chandra Clark
Samantha Jo Foley
Jana Freeman
Sarah Griffith
Jeremy Malmay
Travis Williams

II. Executive Reports
Treasurer- Frank Toro
Welcome. Look over the budget, see me if you have any questions. I have recommended Torrey Washington to Organizational grants.
Vice President –Dustin Matthews
Welcome back. Welcome guests. We have the new phone. Attendance is up, but we are barely meeting quorum. Please encourage senators to come. Office hours are looking better. Department heads please give me something that can inform me about the meetings, and turn them in to me in the same week. We have packets for those going to COSGA.
President – Rusty Broussard
Welcome all our guest to the meeting. The lab is up and running. There will be a STAT meeting next Monday. We still need one more Senator to serve on the election board. We will be appointing two new Senators tonight. Sharmyn Little will be up for Supreme Court. I had lunch with Dr. Webb and we discussed the roof, KNWD and surcharges. The final for the IM is still in Baton Rouge; as soon as we get it back, we can bid on it. The SGA conference is coming up and is very important. Please take it seriously. Have a great week.
Adam Pennell enters the room.

III. Departmental Reports

Academic Affairs- Stacie Cosby
Department met Monday at 2:00. Torrey Washington is working with CRC. There will be a meeting on the 26th at 3:15 in room 309 F of the library. We are still discussing the leisure class and ballroom dancing. Liz Hughes is writing a survey; if anyone is interested see her. The Calendar committee will be picking back up, more info on that later. The scantron giveaway is one of the most important things that SGA does. Please pass the bill.

External Affairs- Greg Comeaux
Department will be meeting Thursdays at 3:00. Radio Show will be from 9-12 on Tuesdays. I gave an interview to the Current Sauce about the computer lab. You will be receiving a web page profile soon, so the quicker that you can fill it out and return it to me the better.
Fiscal Affairs- Frank Toro
Discussed Club Sports. Organizational grants are out. There is a bill on the table to approve funds for this. People in Fiscal need to see me so we can set a time for our meetings.
Internal Affairs- Dustin Floyd
Met today, good meeting. If anyone would like to help with the Constitution By-law changes come by and see me. These bills will be coming up within the next two weeks.
Student Affairs- Buster Carlisle
Traffic Appeals met at 2:00. We are discussing the issue of getting two different tickets written at the same time for two different violations. We are trying to get something done about this, so it will not happen anymore.
SAB Report- Beau Boudreaux
We did not do anything today, I will get back with you on dates.
Advisor's Report- Mr. Henry
Thanks to Buster , Mindy and Torrey. There are Grad Assistantships available in the office for $3,000 per semester. There are many diverse activities available to you, so please talk to me if you are interested. It is a great opportunity. COSGA is a great opportunity. Please bring something back from the networking of all the senators there. Elections, filings, and runoffs are coming up; I need volunteers for the Election Board.

Supreme Court Report- Supreme Court Justice
There is no report.

IV. Old Business
Scott Manguno makes a motion to amend the second sentence of Bill SP02-001. Mindy McConnell seconds. Motion passes by role call vote 21-0-0.
Greg Comeaux moves to approve SP02-001 Bill dealing with Senator office hours. Mindy McConnell seconds. SP02-001 passes by role call vote 21-0-0.
Torrey Washington enters the room.
Greg Comeaux moves to remove section 3.1.1.3 of Bill SP02-002 dealing with Club Sports. Leslie Bean seconds. Motion fails by role call vote 9-12-1.
Beau Boudreaux makes a motion to amend section 3.1.1.3 of Bill SP02-002. Greg Comeaux seconds. Motion fails by role call vote 5-16-1.
Scott Manguno moves to approve SP02-002. James Rolf seconds it. SP02-002 fails by role call vote
18-3-1.
Torrey Washington moves to approve Bill SP02-003 dealing with scantron giveaway. Greg Comeaux seconds. Motion passes by role call vote 22-0-0.

V. New Business
Beau Boudreaux moves to amend Bill SP02-004. Liz Hughes seconds. Motion passes by role call vote 15-7-0.
Stacy Cosby moves to approve Bill SP02-004. Greg Comeaux seconds. Motion passes by role call vote 20-2-0.
Stacy Cosby moves to confirm Torrey to Organizational Grants. Liz Hughes seconds. Motion passes by general consent.
Zack Pulliam moves to approve the Election Board. Stacy Cosby seconds. Motion passed by general consent.
Sharmyn Little to be appointed to Supreme Court. Greg Comeaux moves to suspend rules of secret ballot. Stacy Cosby seconded. Motion passed by general consent.
New senators Adam Stoll and Keith Gates both approved by role call vote. 21-1-0 and 21-0-1, respectively.
Rusty Broussard swears in Sharmyn Little, Adam Stoll, and Keith Gates.

VI. Announcements

You must complete three office hours per week, and record them.
New senators please see Dustin Floyd for your packets.
The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m



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Sunday at 11:00 a.m.

First Baptist Church
508 Second Street
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Campus Connections

Phi Mu Fraternity

Phi Mu Fraternity would like to congratulate Adam Brooks who is this year's King Crush. From all of the ladies, "we love you." Also, congratulations to Robin Sampson for getting accepted into law school. Do not forget the chapter development meeting on Sunday starting at 7 p.m.

Catholic Student Organization

The CSO will have a Theology study and faith sharing Sunday nights at 8 p.m. followed by the 9:30 p.m. Mass. Bible Study every Tuesday night at 8 p.m. Fellowship every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. followed by a free meal. Everyone is welcome. For more info contact Amy Dowden at 352-2615.

Student Government Association

The **SGA** is looking for new members. There are five positions for senator and one position for supreme court. Students interested in filling these positions should stop by Room 222 of the Student Union.

Baptist Collegiate Ministry

The **BCM** will have Wednesday night worship across the street from Watson Library every Wednesday night. The worship begins at 8:31 p.m. All students are welcome to attend. For more information call the BCM at 352-5464.

Counseling and Career Services

The **Office of Counseling and Career Services** has received correspondence of position openings from these businesses: Research Associate position, LSU Ag. Center, Baton Rouge, La., Social Service Specialist I or II, Acadia Parish Foster Care Unit - Acadia Parish; Social Service Specialist I or II, Lafayette Parish Child Protection - Lafayette Parish; Camp Counselors, Coordinators, and Directors, The Girls Vacation Fund - Catskill Mountains. For more information students can stop by the CCS office in Room 305 of the Student Union.

Circle K International

Circle K International invites students to its meetings every Tuesday night at 8:30 p.m. in Room 320 of the Student Union. For more information call Jessica at 357-5974.

Fellowship Christian Athletes

FCA will be having its weekly fellowship every Tuesday night. The meetings are held in the athletic field house on the south end of Turpin Stadium at 8 p.m. There will be a devotional speaker each week. Everyone is welcome.

First Baptist Church

The **First Baptist Church** of Natchitoches will have a free lunch and bible study every Sunday following their 11 a.m. service. The First Baptist Church of Natchitoches is located on 508 Second St.

Spanish Club

The **Spanish Club** would like to invite potential members to its meetings every Wednesday at 3 p.m. in Room 331 of Kyser Hall.

***To see your Campus Connections in next week's edition of The Current Sauce, drop off your information in the Campus Connection box in Room 225 of Kyser Hall.**

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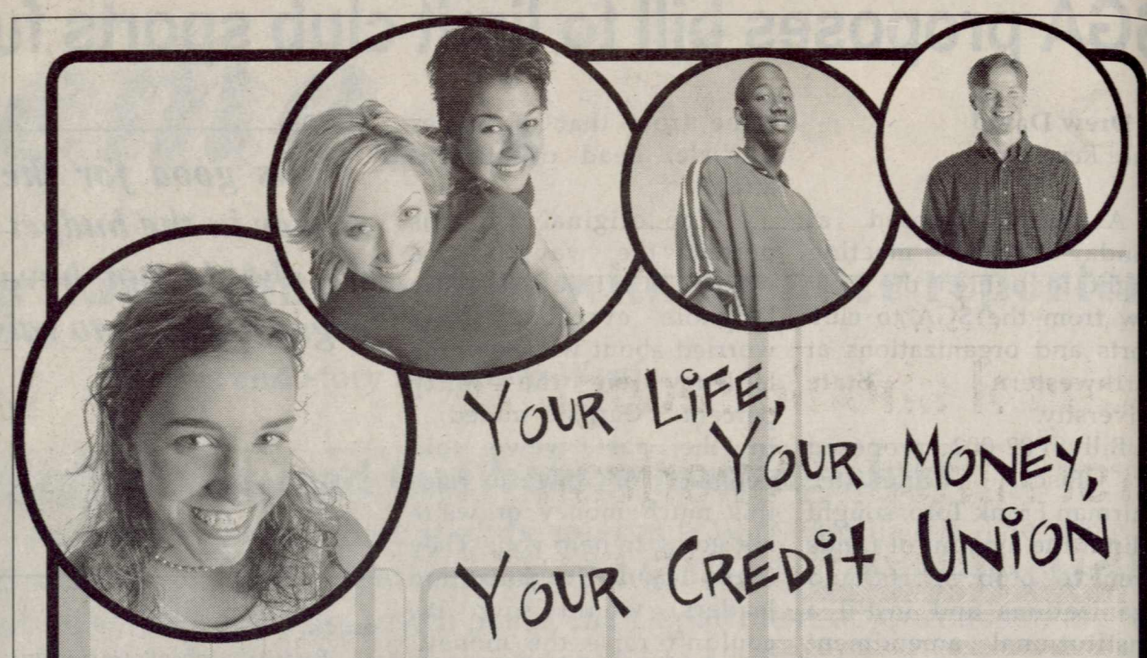
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SauceColumn

School should recognize first African-American NSU students this month

A column about Black History Month; this was the simple idea I had for this week's column. How hard could it possibly be to get information about Black History Month at a school that maintains a significant amount of events for almost every occasion?



Tiffany Trichell
Tiff's Take

As I walked down the halls of Kyser and the Student Union looking for some kind of information on this topic, I was surprised and eventually irritated that there were very few, if any, announcements informing students of this historically respectful month. I only found one single type of publicity or information: a set of Black History Celebration flyers set out by the Omega Psi Phi fraternity.

Though these flyers were posted in as many attention-grabbing positions around the halls as possible, it was still extremely difficult to find any other type of information on this month. Under the assumption that at the very least information about the first African-Americans to attend this university could be obtained, I continued my search.

There was no such information to be found. No one in the history department, the president, vice-president, or even dean's office could give me any information on this subject. It is almost impossible to attain anything on the first African-American to attain or become a faculty member of this university.

Black History Month may not be the most significant time of year for some individuals but it is a salute to the African-American men and women who have made a significant contribution to today's world and society. These people deserve to, at the very least, be acknowledged for their accomplishments.

The first African-American men and women to attend Northwestern State deserve the honor and respect of being commended on the occasional poster or flyer during this month. Being the first African-American faculty member or student could not have been an easy experience, especially in the state of Louisiana, one of the country's more discriminatory states.

These individuals, along with many other African-Americans who have made a significant contribution to Natchitoches, Northwestern State, and the surrounding areas, at a minimum deserve a nod of appreciation by placing their pictures or stories on a board or poster in the predominately accessed building on campus.

Tiffany Trichell is a junior majoring in English. Her column appears weekly in *The Current Sauce*.



Letters to the Editor

Online Submission

Reader complains of reverse discrimination at Iberville

Candice Detillier
Freshman

Employees of Iberville Dining Hall need to be taught the principle of equality. There have been several occasions where my friends and I have been discriminated against when being served.

Two recent experiences stand out the most when the word "discrimination" comes to mind.

The first of these was toward the end of last semester, when I walked up to the Deli Corner to get some chocolate ice cream. I thought nothing of it when the African-American woman told me that there was no more, until an African-American girl walked up behind me, and yes, she was served chocolate ice cream.

The second experience happened just weeks ago, this time to a white male student. He was in line at Grill Works to get a hamburger, and two African-American males were behind him.

When he began to place his order, the African-American woman deliberately told him to wait until she took care of the two males behind him. I believe this to be totally unfair to anyone, and unacceptable from a university staff.

All of my life I've heard of African- Americans being discriminated against, and I believe, just as any African-American would, that this is wrong. But, it seems to me that when they become the majority, as they are here, they are the ones that discriminate.

By far, I do not believe myself to be a racist person, but I do believe in equality and equal opportunity for everyone. We are all here to achieve a common goal, to succeed in life. One would think that above all places, a university campus would be the one place where one could feel accepted. I used to believe that, but now I'm not so sure.

Ed.'s Note: This letter, originally published in the February 7 edition, is being re-published in its entirety due to an editorial mistake made by The Current Sauce. We apologize for this error.

Online Submission

African American Caucus issues challenge to all African Americans

Lawrence Cappel Anglin
Senior

I began my undergraduate studies at Northwestern State University in the fall of 1997 and since that time I have seen many good things that have occurred on this campus, but the one terrible thing that I have seen on this campus that happens every year is the lack of UNITY among African Americans.

I don't really understand why we as a people can't seem to want to work together. By working together I don't mean walking around with picket signs preaching racial equality. Why can't our different African American organizations work together to get things done whether it is putting together a party or a banquet or a seminar?

Are we too busy with our own personal lives to help or influence others. Just think about the one time somebody really helped or influenced you. What if that person was to busy with their personal business? What if they said to hell with you, I've got my own problems? Where might you be then?

I myself am a victim of that belief. As President of African American Caucus I've watched us go from a great organization to a not so good one. I've sat and watched everything that we built up drop down to not quite rock bottom, but almost there.

I was ready to resign as President of AAC and just worry about graduating. All I could think about was, these selfish people who didn't care about anyone or anything but themselves. People didn't want to come to meetings and events just were not satisfactory to what they should have been. In actuality I was the one who was being selfish.

I had to change my selfish ways. I had to rise above those barriers, that were trying to keep me down. That's what we must do. Our organizations, as well as our students, must rise above the barriers and come together and stop giving up, because you know what type of person you are when you give up? A WEAK person!!!!

By letting the actions of others contradict your purpose makes you a WEAK person. People tell us we are the LEADERS, not the followers, of tomorrow. WEAK people are not leaders. WEAK people are followers. Are we WEAK people? I know for sure I'm not. I am one of those LEADERS of the next generation. I know my purpose and part of that purpose is not sitting on my ass and thinking about myself.

Are we innovative? Damn right we are. This is Black History Month and the people we recognize during this month are some of the most innovative people this country has ever seen, but we already know that. So, let's be innovative. Let's do things at NSU that no one has ever seen. I don't have all the answers, but together we can figure it out. African American Caucus is the only open African American organization at NSU besides the Lifted Voices choir and almost 30% of the makeup of NSU is African American. So why does the membership of AAC only consist of .2% (wild guess) of that almost 30%. Hmnn, how many WEAK people do we really have on this campus?

I'm challenging all African American people and African American organizations, as well as AAC to do something about it. Show your strengths, because we already have shown our weaknesses.

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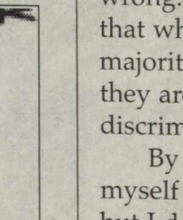
Editor'sTake

Join the conversation; submit a letter to the editor, early

I'm glad to see that many of you have decided to take part in our weekly discussions on our opinions page. There is no better way to voice your opinion on a particular topic than to do so in our opinions page.

In fact, we've had so many letters and e-mails sent to us that we haven't been able to print all of them. My message to you is to keep sending them. We will get to everyone's letter, and if you send a letter, it will be published at some point.

I would like to offer you, though, a few suggestions for letter submission that will help you get you letter published as quickly as possible;



Rondray Hill
Editor's Take

1) Early submissions get top priority—We've been looking for ways to make our letter to the editor section larger, but the sad truth is that news space is very limited. It's more limited than you may think. So the earlier you submit your letter for publication, the higher your chances are to get it published.

In fact, I can assure you that if your letter arrives at our desk on the Friday after a publication, 99 out of 100 times it will appear in the next week's edition. If you have a topic that is timely and needs to go into the next week's edition of The Current Sauce, the best way to accomplish your goal is to get your letter to us as soon as possible.

2) Letters less than 300 words are more appealing—It has been shown that people's attention spans are getting shorter and shorter, and people want to know what you want to say quickly. We ask that you keep your letter's length less than 300 words to accommodate the aforementioned problem of space limitations as well as readability purposes.

Every once in a while, space will allow us to print letters longer than normal letters, but for the most part, anything over 450 words in length is inappropriate for letters to the editor.

3) If your letter doesn't print this week, don't worry-- If for some reason you can't get your letter to us early and you just have to submit your take at the last minute, don't worry. It's okay. We may still be able to print the letter if space allows us to.

And if it doesn't run immediately, your letter will be given top priority for the next week's edition. So if you don't see your letter in this week's paper, chances are you'll see it in next week's edition.

Finally, remember that letters will be printed as we receive them. Make sure your letters are proofed and free of grammatical or spelling errors.

We have enough trouble fixing our own.

Rondray Hill is the editor of *The Current Sauce*. If you would like to respond to Rondray's weekly column, visit the "Talk Back to the Editor" message board at www.currentsauce.com. You can also send an email to currentsauce@hotmail.com

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Daily Entertainment Ideas

Tuesday

Movie time

Great deals on movies old and new, to view at home or in the theater

By Callie Reames
Sauce Reporter

Inexpensive movie rentals, low-cost seats at a movie theater, and moderately priced DVDs -- on a Tuesday night. Could a bored college student ask for more?

Rented movies are widely used sources of entertainment for those uninteresting weekday nights in Natchitoches. And on Tuesdays, Blockbuster Video and The Variety Store receive new releases.

Blockbuster's videocassette and DVD rental prices depend on which movies are rented.

Older releases, or Blockbuster Favorites, cost $2.99 for five days.

New releases cost $3.99 for a two or five day rental.

All DVD rentals also cost $3.99.

Blockbuster manager Cathy Kennedy said there are advantages to renting movies instead of going to the theater to see them. "More than one person can watch the movie at a low $3.99. Movies can be stopped, rewound, and played numerous times."

However, some cash-strapped Northwestern State students didn't think the added convenience of a rented movie justified the price.

"Blockbuster charges too much," freshman Nick Cortez, a liberal arts major, said.

The Variety Store, among other things, is a less expensive video rental alternative to Blockbuster. Both new and old releases are rented out for 99 cents per day, and Saturday rentals aren't due back until Tuesday.

"I don't like paying the big price at Blockbuster," junior biology major David May said. May also said he would decide to rent a movie only after seeing what was on television.

The Variety Store doesn't have DVDs, and although it does have new releases, there aren't numerous copies of each movie, making it more likely for a popular movie to be out of stock.

Charlie Percy, a sophomore CIS major, has had previous experiences with smaller video stores that caused him to prefer Blockbuster, despite its higher prices.

"It's more convenient because I have the card already," Percy said. "The cheaper places never had what I was looking for."

Tuesdays at Parkway Cinema are $4 student nights. Freddy Hurst, a sophomore accounting major, goes to see a movie every Tuesday night with his friends even though he said the theater isn't as nice as others.

"I'd rather go see a movie than rent one, but not here. The theater is old," Hurst said.

"A college town should have a better theater," Patrick West, a sophomore journalism major, said. He also said, however, that the price is very reasonable. "$4 is a really cheap price to get into a movie," West said.

Parkway Cinema is located at 1011 Keyser Avenue, Blockbuster is at 242 Keyser Avenue, and The Variety Store is No. 617 in the Bossier Street Plaza.

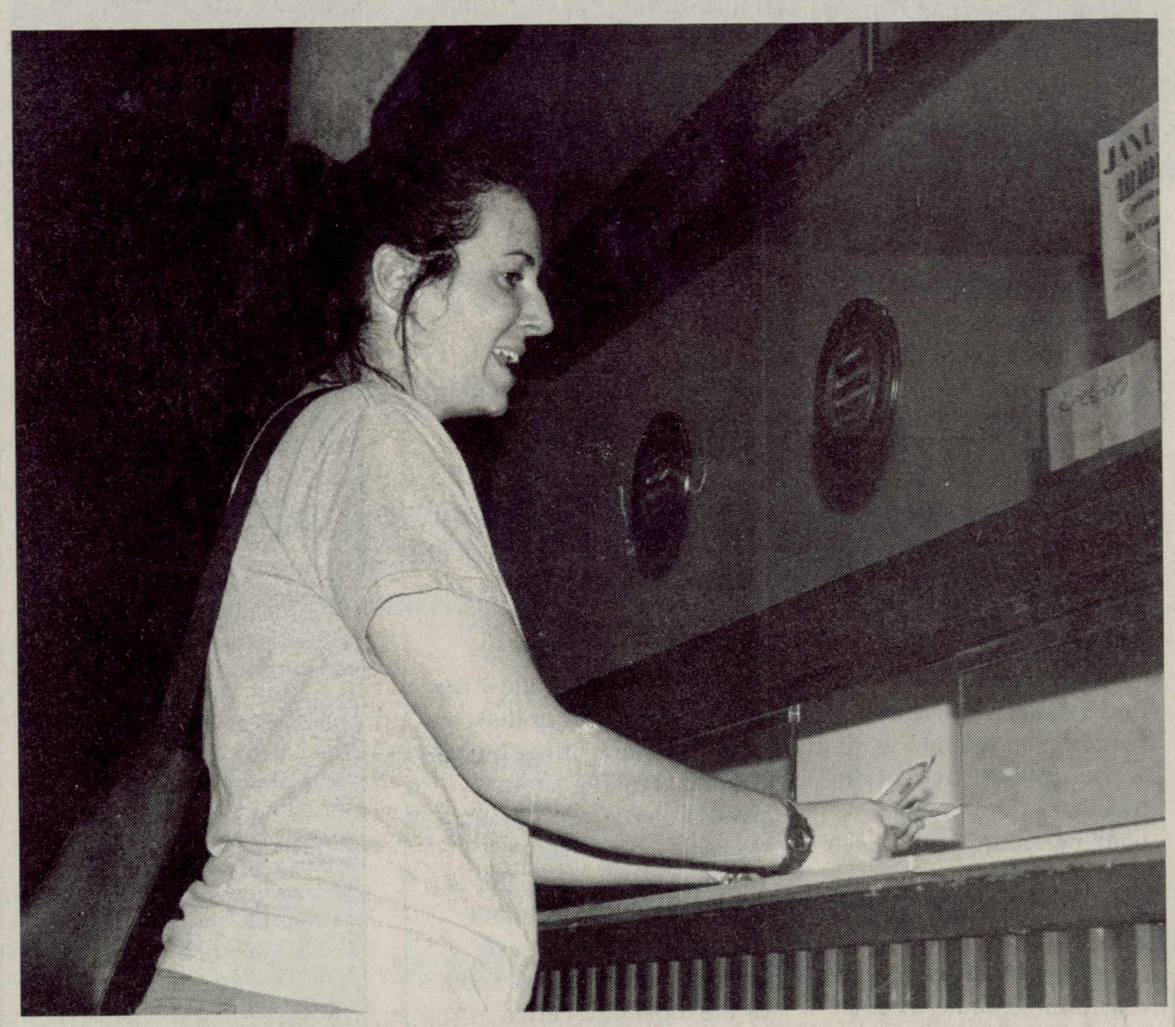


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Sara Melanson, a sophomore music education major, purchases tickets at the Parkway Cinema. On tuesday nights, tickets are $4 with a valid NSU identification card.





Photo by Amy Walmsley

The cast of The Boys From Syracuse prepare for opening night, February 21. Jessica Marasco, centered, is about to be picked up into the air.

NSU musical, *The Boys From Syracuse* opens tonight at Theater West; 7:30 p.m.

By Amy Walmsley
Sauce Reporter

"The Boys From Syracuse" are coming to town.

The Northwestern State University Theater program will begin a week-long run of the Rogers and Hart musical "The Boys From Syracuse" tonight at 7:30 p.m. in Theatre West.

"The Boys From Syracuse" is based on Shakespeare's "The Comedy of Errors" and was the first musical based on a Shakespearean play, Jack Wann, NSU coordinator of theatre and the play's director, said.

While planning this production, Wann added a twist to the original script by creating a play within a play. Wann said that he added this twist "because we're doing it in a smaller theatre. I wanted to make it look like it was born or was comfortable in a small theatre."

The musical tells the story of Antipholus and his servant who travel to Ephesus in search of their long-lost twins.
While the musical itself is most definitely a comedy, the audition was no laughing matter. "They brought us in here in groups of fifteen and we nervously got up and sang our songs," Adam-Louis Breaux, one of the leading actors, said. "The audition process was very specific," Wann said. He said one of the biggest challenges was "to cast two sets of twins... we had to come up with guys who could sing the shows, act the shows, dance the shows and still be close enough that in the right costumes they could look enough alike to be believable as twins."

For Mollye Otis, the play's music director, the hardest part was getting the cast to maintain what they had been taught. "Once they get on their feet dancing, sometimes they forget to sing," Otis said. Lead actress Jessica Marasco had no trouble singing and dancing, however. She said the hardest part of the production for her was "walking in these four inch heels."

While much of the production may have been challenging, the actors and crew said they are quite certain that when the curtain to goes up, they will all be ready.
"I think it'll be great," Breaux said.

The show will start at 7:30 p.m. every night through Feb. 28. Tickets are free for NSU students with a current student ID and $5 for the general public. For ticket information, call 357-6891.

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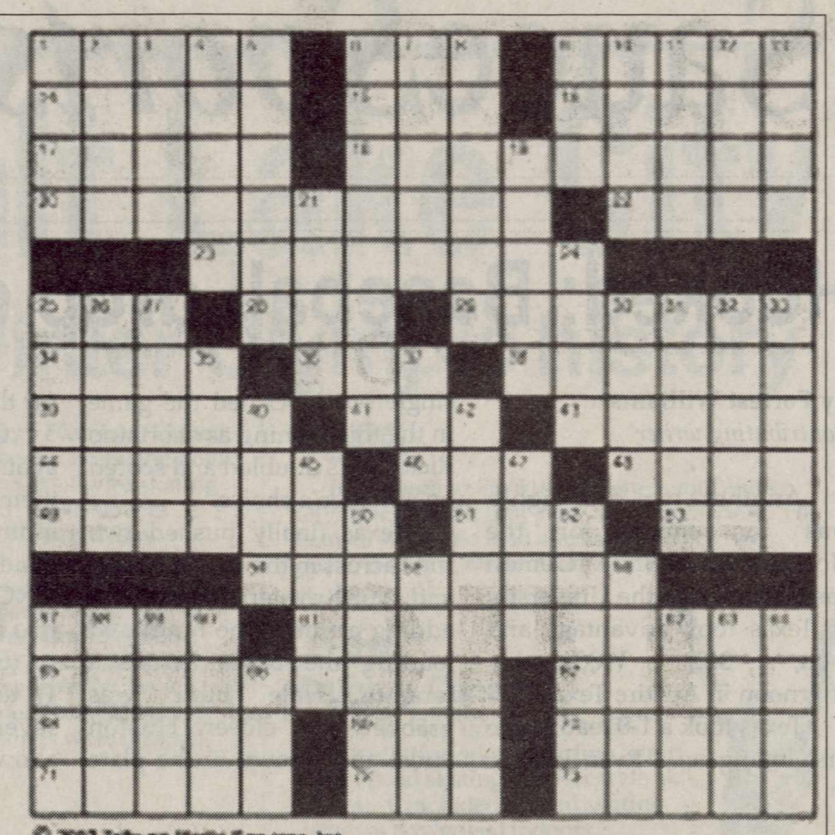
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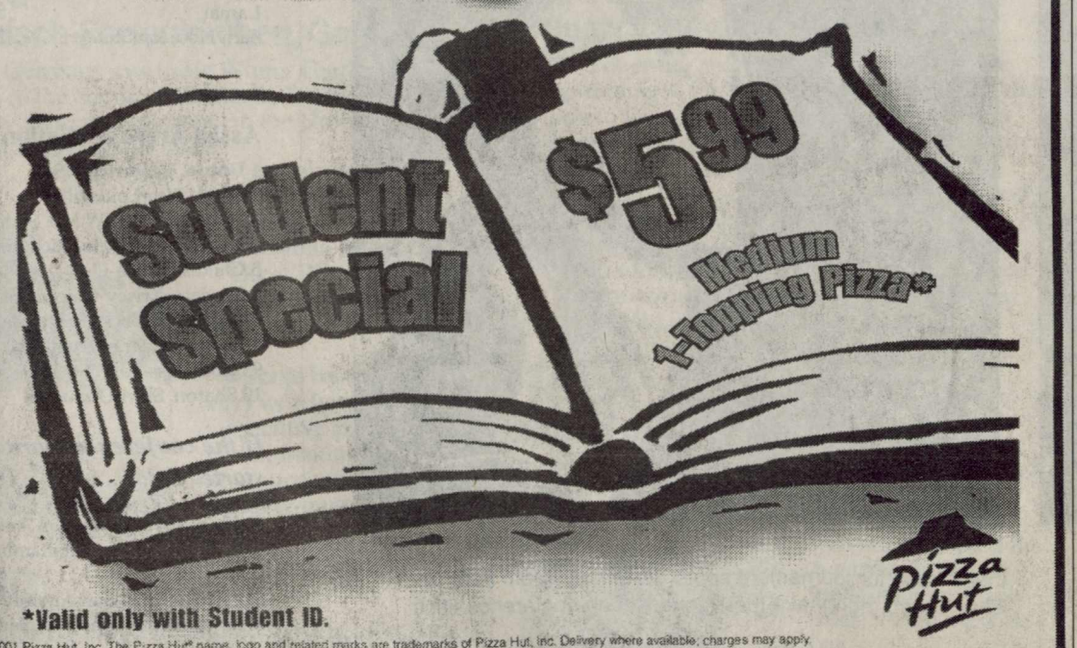
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Hooked; Baseball drop close one to UT, 3-2

By Forrest Williams
Contributing writer

Another two-run eighth was too much for the Northwestern State Demon baseball team as the University of Texas took advantage and won, 3-2, Wednesday afternoon in Austin, Texas.

Texas took a 1-0 lead in the first inning on a Ryan Hubele single but NSU tied the game in the third inning as shortstop Ricky Solis doubled and scored on a fielder's choice.

Texas finally pushed two runs across in the eighth inning and Northwestern responded, adding a run in the ninth and loading the bases before a Jeramie Hale bunt was grabbed by closer Huston Street and thrown to the plate for the third out.

Of the 12 runs scored against Northwestern, six of them have come in the eighth inning, allowing No. 8 Wichita State to beat NSU, 5-4, and UNC-Charlotte to close within two in a 4-2 Demon win.

Senior Carl Makowsky (0-1) took the loss but pitched seven good innings. He allowed one run in the first but then shut down the potent Texas offense, allowing only seven hits over the next six innings.

"Carl (Makowsky) pitched a heckuva game," said Demon head coach Mitch Gaspard. "He was dominant and kept a low pitch count into the eighth inning."

Makowsky ran into trouble in the eighth inning,

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NSU-- Carl Makowsky, Gary Adair, Shawn West

UT-- Ray Clark, Ryan France, Huston Street and Curtis Thigpen.

W – France (1-0)
L – Makowsky (0-1)
S – Street (2)

Littlejohn, Joshua win individual titles at SLC track championships

Sauce Sports Services

Shannon Joshua continued Northwestern State's six-year run of winning the triple jump at the Southland Conference Indoor Track and Field Championships Saturday, but the Demons couldn't repeat as team champions.

Southwest Texas was a runaway winner in both the men's and women's divisions. Northwestern was fourth in the 11-team men's standings and fifth in the 11-team women's competition, tops among the SLC's Louisiana members in both divisions.

Sophomore Brittany Littlejohn gave Northwestern its other individual title by winning the women's 60 meter hurdles with an 8.45 time.

Joshua spearheaded the traditionally-stout Demon scoring in the triple jump by winning at 49-8 1/4. NSU scored 22 points in the event, with Cedric Scott third (49-6 1/4), David Williams fourth (49-1 3/4) and William Green eighth (47-7 3/4).

Northwestern has won nine of the last 11 triple jump competitions at the SLC Indoor meet, including two wins by 2000 USA Olympian LaMark Carter in 1992-93 and three by 2001 World University Games gold medalist Kenta Bell in 1997, 1998 and 2000.

Freshman Terry Gatson gave NSU 8 points with second place in the 800 meter run (1:53.88, a season best). NSU got 10 points in the shot put as Chris Jones was fourth (52-4 1/2), Titus May fifth (51-11) and Roy Locks eighth (50-5 1/2). The Demons scored 8 in both the 60 meter dash and the 60 meter hurdles, as Paul Stephens was fourth (6.91) and Prentis West sixth (6.94) in the dash and Larry Quinney was fourth (8.10) and Tyler Priest sixth (8.21) in the hurdles.

West was third in the 200 (22.19) while Justin Wolfe ran fourth in the 400 (48.88) for NSU.

For the Lady Demons, Kim Pouncy scored 11 points with third in the 200 meter dash (25.46) and fourth in the 60 meter dash (7.61) and her twin Camille scored 8 with fourth in the 200 (25.44) and sixth in the 60 (7.69).

Danielle Moss gave NSU fifth in the women's pole vault, clearing 10-2.

The Lady Demons failed to get points Saturday from sophomore Stephanie Sowell in the triple jump, where she was the top-seeded entrant. She fouled on all three of her attempts in the preliminaries. She is a provisional qualifier for the NCAA Indoor Championships with a 41-8 1/2 best in the event, the nation's 15th-best major college mark.

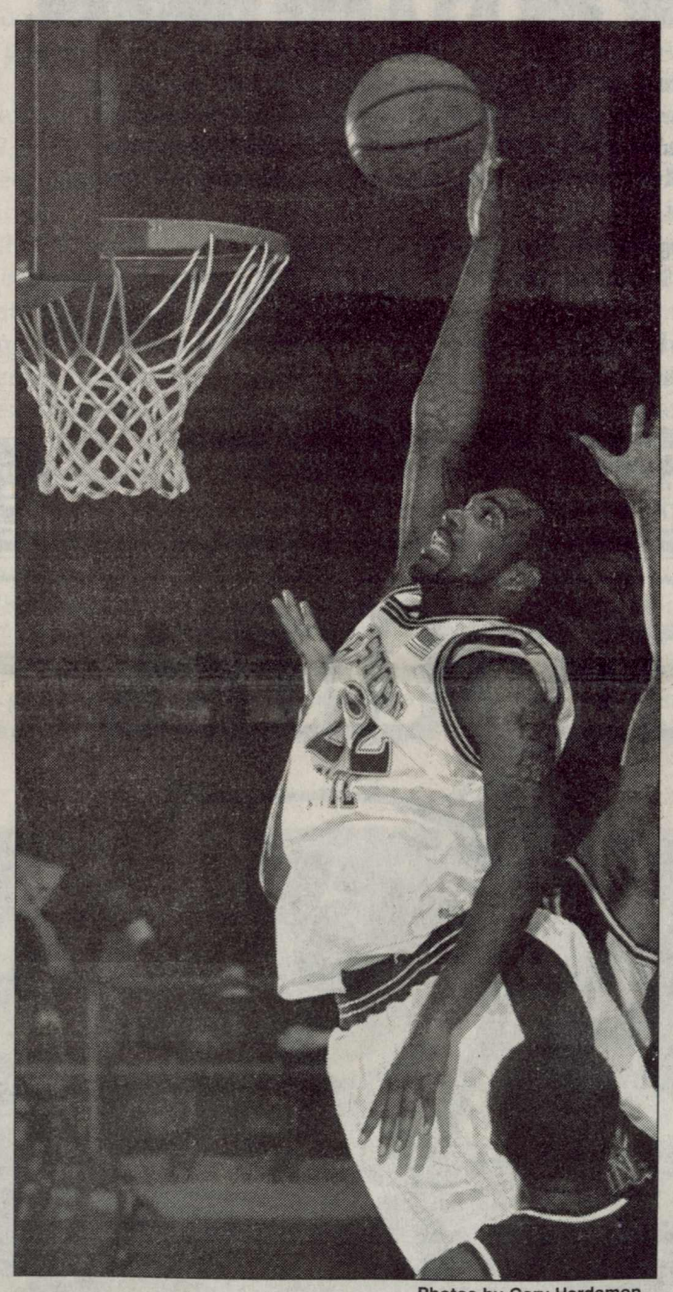
The Southwest Texas women scored a meet record 180.5 points, leading Stephen F. Austin (95.5), Texas-Arlington (78), Texas-San Antonio (75.5), Northwestern (55), Sam Houston (41), Louisiana-Monroe (37), McNeese State (26), Lamar (16), Southeastern Louisiana (12.5) and Nicholls State (7).

In the men's standings, SWT won with 134, followed by UTSA (92), UTA (83), Northwestern (81), SFA (72), Sam Houston (63), McNeese (56), Lamar and ULM (16 each), Nicholls (8) and SLU (5).

Crunch time

The stretch run





Photos by Gary Hardamon

With less than two weeks remaining in the regular season, both the Demons and Lady Demons are positioning themselves for tournament spots. LaTerrica Dobin (left) and Chris Lynch (right)have their sights set on conference titles.

No pressure, just another late-season run for the Demons

By Janie Warren
Sauce reporter

Once again, the Southland conference tournament draws near and the NSU demon basketball team has been preparing for their competition.

The Demons have four games left to play before the opening round of the tournament. NSU will take on Stephen F. Austin, the University of Texas-Arlington, McNeese State, and the University of Louisiana –Monroe in the remainder of the season.

Last week, the demon basketball team was victorious against Nicholls (93-72) and Southeastern (63-52). Some of the team members said that playing at home and with the end of the season approaching is causing them to play harder.

Tonight

Demons (12-15, 8-8) at SFA (10-13,7-9) 7 p.m.

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This is not the first year the Demons have started to play hard later in the season. "We're trying to go into the tournament on a streak," senior forward Chris Lynch said. "Coach McConathy works with us and we just get stronger toward the

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Dobin needs no assistance, she leads the nation in assists

By Rondray Hill
Editor

At around 11 a.m yesterday, LaTerrica Dobin didn't know that about 24 hours ago, she became the best disher in the nation.

She was surprised to learn that as of Feb. 18, she averaged 0.4 assists more than the rest of Division I basketball. Her 8.6 assists per game average puts her ahead of players from established programs like Penn State (Jess Strom) and SW. Mo. State (Erica Vicente).

"I knew I was close, but I didn't know I was first," Dobin said. "My teammates probably already know. It's easy when you have two great shooters like Anna (Means) and AD (Angela Davidson).

Whether Dobin is the first ever from the Southland conference to lead the nation in assists is up to anyone's guess, though. Southland conference officials don't know if any other player dished more dimes in a year than Dobin.

What is known is that the 5-foot Demon has dished 15 or more assists twice this season. Dobin's assist totals have helped Davidson lead the Southland conference in scoring average (16.2).

"When the game starts," Dobin said, "I'll walk up to Anna and Angela. Then I'll say, 'I need five assists from you, Anna, and I need six from you, Angela."

Dobin and the Lady Demons are home to face UTA Saturday at 2 p.m.

Sauce Stats

Men's Basketball

Standings	W	L	%
McNeese State	13	3	.812
Louisiana-Monroe	12	4	.750
Texas-San Antonio	11	5	.688
Lamar	10	7	.588
Sam Houston State	9	9	.500
Northwestern State	**8**	**8**	**.500**
Texas-Arlington	8	9	.471
Stephen F. Austin	7	9	.438
Southwest Texas	7	9	.438
Southeastern Louisiana	6	11	.353
Nicholls State	0	17	.000

Conference Leaders

Scoring Average

1.Barber, Steven-UTA	20.1
2.Powers, McEverett-UTSA	19.3
3.Hendrix, Damany-LU	18.0
4.Brown, Devin-UTSA	17.7
5.Byars-Dawson, Michael-NSU	**17.6**
6.Cole, Donald-SHSU	16.6
7.Coleman, Jason-MCN	16.1
8.Abdur-Rahim, Amir-SLU	16.1
9.Austin, Ron-LU	15.3
10.Lubeck, Brian- ULM	15.1

If the conference tournament started today...

NSU (6) @ Texas-San Antonio (3)
McNeese(1) hosts lowest remaining seed

Sam Houston (5) @ Lamar (4)
ULM(2) hosts highest remaining seed

Did you know...

...STATSInc.'s Sixth Man award is given to a player who plays in 75 % percent of his teams games, but only starts 35%. Chris Lynch is fourth on this list.

Women's Basketball

Standings	W	L	%
Stephen F. Austin	16	1	.941
Northwestern State	**14**	**2**	**.875**
Texas-San Antonio	12	5	.706
Texas-Arlington	11	6	.647
Southwest Texas	8	9	.470
Nicholls State	7	10	.411
Louisiana-Monroe	7	10	.411
Southeastern Louisiana	7	10	.411
McNeese State	5	12	.294
Lamar	5	13	.278
Sam Houston State	2	16	.111

Leaders

Assist Average (Nation)

1.Dobin, LaTerrica-NSU	**8.**
2.Nord, Sara-Louisville	8.
3.Vicente, Erica-SW Mo. State	7.
4.Koclanes, Michele- Richmond	7.
5.Chikos, Jayme-Elon	7.
6.Sanders, Krisey-Chicago St.	6.
7.Ashbaugh, Becki-Santa Clara	6.
8.Ingham, Laura-Nevada	6.
9.Strom, Jess-Penn St.	6.
10.Sharon, Shiri-Duquesne	6.

If the conference tournament started today...

Nicholls (6) @ Texas- San Antonio (3)
SFA (1) hosts lowest remaining seed

SWT(5) @ Texas-San Antonio (4)
NSU (2) hosts highest remaining seed

Did you know...

... assuming both teams win the rest of their games, the Nicholls State/SLU game March 2 will determine who gets the sixth tournament spot.

Softball

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NSU-- Miller, Ortego, Nichols
Baylor-- Vitek, Leerberg

W-Vitek (5-1). L-Miller (4-4).

Baylor 2, NSU 1
2/18/02

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NSU--Ortego, Nichols
Baylor-- Miller, Vitek, Arnold

W-Vitek(6-1). L-Ortego (3-5).

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Did you know...

... Lindsay Leftwich refers to the Demon coaching staff in the softball media guide as "three kids trapped in grown up bodies?"

From Chamonix to Salt Lake City

Looking back on great moments from Winter Olympic history

1924
Chamonix, France

Initially organized as an International Winter Sports Week, the Games at Chamonix were not officially recognized as the first Winter Olympics by the International Olympic Committee until 1925. Five sports were represented: Nordic skiing, figure skating, speed skating, bobsled and hockey.

Canada established its reign as hockey champions by winning the gold in the first four Winter Olympics.

Anders Haugen (United States) was logged in as coming in fourth in the ski jump, but a calculation error discovered in 1974 showed he really placed third. At age 83, Haugen was awarded his bronze medal.



Charles Jewtraw ▶ (United States) won the United States' only gold medal in the 500-meter speed skating event.

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1928
St. Moritz, Switzerland

The second Winter Olympics used the facilities of an established ski resort. It also was the first time since World War I that Germans were admitted back into any Olympic competition.

The Games at St. Moritz were the only time that bobsled teams could have five men instead of four. The United States placed first and second in the event.

At age 15, Sonja Henie (Norway) won the first of three consecutive gold medals in figure skating.

1932
Lake Placid, United States

Due to the Depression, turnout was low, with only 17 nations participating. Half of the athletes were from the United States or Canada. Dog sledding was included as a demonstration sport.

John Shea (United States) won golds in the 500-meter and 1,500-meter speed skating events.

The U.S. bobsled team captured gold for the second time in a row. Team member Eddie Eagan became the only person to win a gold medal in both the Winter and Summer Olympics. He already had a gold in boxing from the 1920 Summer Games.

1936
Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Germany

The Germans saw these Winter Games as a prelude to the Summer Games in Berlin. An attempt by German emigrants in the United States for a national boycott failed.



USOC ARCHIVES

Ivan Brown and Alan Washbond (United States) won gold in the two-man bobsled.

Great Britain's hockey team toppled the Canadian hold on gold.

◀ **Sonja Henie** (Norway) won her third consecutive gold medal, making her the most successful individual woman figure skater.

1940

The Games were scheduled to be held in Sapporo, Japan, but war with China caused Japan to pull out. Germany volunteered, but World War II forced cancellation of the Winter Olympics until 1948.

1948
St. Moritz, Switzerland

The popularity of Alpine skiing increased and slalom and downhill events were added. The winter pentathlon (cross-country skiing, downhill skiing, fencing, shooting and horse riding)was held as a demonstration sport and was not successful.

Henri Oreiller (France) won two golds and one bronze in Alpine skiing and was the most successful athlete of the 1948 Winter Games.

Barbara Ann Scott (Canada) became the first North American to win a gold in figure skating.

Gretchen Fraser (United States) captured gold in the women's slalom, the United States' first skiing medal.

1952
Oslo, Norway

Germany and Japan were allowed to compete for the first time since World War II. The Oslo Games marked the first time the Olympics were held in a Scandinavian country.

Andrea Mead (United States) was victorious in the slalom and giant slalom, becoming the first U.S. athlete to win two golds in a Winter Olympics.

Hjalmar Andersen (Norway) won golds in the 1,500-meter, 5,000-meter and 10,000-meter speed skating events.

Richard Button (United States) won his second gold and was the first to perform a triple jump in the figure skating competition.

1956
Cortina d'Ampezzo, Italy

An Italian television station provided the first Winter Olympic live coverage. "Eurovision" allowed parts of central Europe to watch competition.

The United States swept the men's figure skating competition. Gold went to Hayes Alan Jenkins, silver to Ronald Robertson and bronze to David Jenkins, younger brother of Hayes.

Toni Sailer (Austria) won three gold medals in Alpine skiing.

The new **Soviet hockey team** ▼ upset Canada in the finals and took the gold undefeated.



USOC ARCHIVES

1960
Squaw Valley, United States

The opening and closing ceremonies were stage-managed by Walt Disney, chairman of the Olympic Pageantry Committee. South Africa was represented for the first and last time until 1994. Figure skating events moved indoors.

The U.S. hockey team defeated Canada and captured gold for the first time.

Georg Thoma (Germany) became the first non-Scandinavian to win the Nordic combined.

Barbara Wagner and Robert Paul (Canada) won the gold in pairs figure skating.

1964
Innsbruck, Austria



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Computers helped officials time and judge events. Mild weather prompted the Austrian military to truck in snow. Luge made its Olympic debut.

◀ **Lidia Skoblikova** (U.S.S.R.) captured all the golds in women's speed skating.

Ortun Enderlein (Germany) won gold in the first women's Olympic luge event.

1968
Grenoble, France

For the first time there were two separate German teams competing in an Olympics.



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Peggy Fleming (United States) took home the gold in women's figure skating.

U.S. speed skaters Mary Meyers, Dianne Holum and Jennifer Fish triple-tied for silver in the 500-meter event.

◀ **Jean-Claude Killy** (France), the host country's favorite son, won gold medals in all three Alpine skiing events. The Games were dubbed the "Killympics."

1972
Sapporo, Japan

The Sapporo Games were the first Winter Olympics held outside of Europe and the United States. They also marked the first time all three medals in one discipline were won by a non-European country (Japan, in the normal hill ski jump).

Galina Kulakova (U.S.S.R.) captured three gold medals in women's cross-country skiing.

Speed skater Dianne Holum (United States) won a gold (1,500 meters) and silver (3,000 meters). She would later coach Eric Heiden to the 1976 and 1980 Olympics.

Barbara Cochran (United States) won the gold in the women's slalom by two-hundredths of a second.

1976
Innsbruck, Austria

The Games were originally awarded to Denver but later nixed by Colorado voters. Innsbruck used existing facilities from the 1964 Games.



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Speed skater **Sheila Young** (United States) ▶ captured gold, silver and bronze medals, making her the first U.S. athlete to win three medals at a single Winter Olympics.

Franz Klammer (Austria) won gold in downhill skiing.

Ice dancing made its Olympic debut. Ludmilla Pakhomava and Alexander Gorshkow (U.S.S.R.) took the first gold medal.

1980
Lake Placid, United States



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The second Lake Placid Games marked the first use of artificial snow in Olympic competition.

◀ **Eric Heiden** (United States) won five gold medals in speed skating.

Alexander Saizev and Irina Rodnina (U.S.S.R.) won gold in pairs figure skating. It was her third consecutive gold medal.

The U.S. hockey "Dream Team" defeated the Soviets, who had taken gold since 1964.

Ulrich Wehing (East Germany) garnered his third consecutive gold medal in the Nordic combined.

1984
Sarajevo, Yugoslavia

It was the first and only time the Olympics were held in a Socialist country.

Jayne Torvill and Christopher Dean (Great Britain) scored the first perfect scores in ice dancing and won the gold.

Scott Hamilton (United States) took the gold medal in figure skating.

Phil Mahre and his brother, Steve, (United States) placed first and second in the slalom event.

1986

IOC voted to have the Summer and Winter Olympics in different years starting in 1994. The Games would be held alternately every two years, with the Winter Games in the same years as soccer's World Cup.

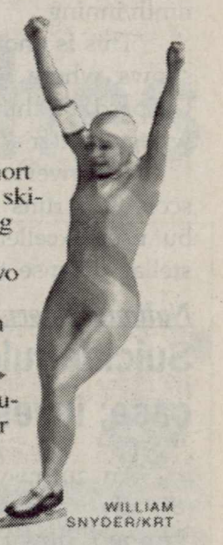
1988
Calgary, Canada

For the first time since 1968, demonstration sports (curling, short track speed skating and freestyle skiing) were included. Speed skating events were moved indoors.

Alberto Tomba (Italy) took two gold medals in the men's slalom.

Matti Nykanen (Finland) won gold in all three ski jump events.

Bonnie Blair (United States) ▶ captured the first of three consecutive gold medals in the 500-meter speed skating event.



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1992
Albertville, France

Germany was once again represented by one team. The Russian republics, with the exception of Lithuania, Estonia and Latvia, competed on a Unified Team.

Nordic skier Lyubov Yegorova (Unified Team) won three golds and two silvers, making her the most successful female athlete in Albertville.

World champion Kristi Yamaguchi (United States) garnered the gold medal in women's figure skating.

Pairs figure skaters Artur Dmitriev and Natalya Mishkutenok (Unified Team) captured the gold.

1994
Lillehammer, Norway

The South African team returned after 34 years. Each Russian republic had its own team.

Johann Koss (Norway) garnered three gold medals in speed skating and set a world record in each event.

Speed skater Bonnie Blair (United States) won two gold medals for a grand total of five, making her the most successful U.S. female winter athlete.

Drama lingered in the women's figure skating competition as Nancy Kerrigan faced her U.S. teammate Tonya Harding, who was investigated for plotting to disable Kerrigan prior to the Games. Ukraine's Oksana Baiul took home the gold medal and Kerrigan the silver.

1998
Nagano, Japan

The Olympics returned to Japan after 26 years. Three sports — curling, snowboarding and women's hockey — made their medal debut. For the first time, the NHL suspended its season to allow the best professional players to participate in the Games.



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The Japanese ski-jumping team won four medals, including a gold in the team event.

◀ **Hermann Maier** (Austria) won the gold in both the giant and super giant slalom after recovering from a crash in the downhill.

Cross-country skier Bjorn Daehlie (Norway) won three golds and one silver, giving him an unprecedented 12 total and eight gold Winter Olympic medals for his career.

2002
Salt Lake City, United States

Salt Lake City, which has sought to host the Winter Games since 1972, was selected over Quebec (Canada), Sion (Switzerland) and Ostersund (Sweden).

More than 2,500 athletes from 80 countries will flock to the capital of Utah for the 2002 Winter Olympics against a backdrop of deep concern about international terrorism. More than 5,000 law-enforcement officers from 60 local, state and federal agencies will be in Salt Lake City for the Games.

Where will you place? Test your knowledge of the Winter Games

Are you a gold-medal fan? Take our quiz and see how you score in the Olympics history event.

1. In 1924, Norway won a medal in all 14 events except two. Which two?
- **A.** Ice hockey and bobsledding.
- **B.** Ice hockey and curling.
- **C.** Figure skating and ski jump.
- **D.** Speed skating and bobsledding.



USOC ARCHIVES
Peggy Fleming

2. When Peggy Fleming won gold in women's figure skating in 1968, she returned the United States to the top of the sport. How long had it been since an American took the top prize in figure skating?
- **A.** Four years.
- **B.** Sixteen years.
- **C.** Eight years.
- **D.** Twenty-four years.

3. Which is NOT a type of move in freestyle skiing?
- **A.** The Post Toastie.
- **B.** The Bucher spin.
- **C.** The Thumper.
- **D.** The 310.

4. During 1992's four-man bobsled event, what happened to Canadian Jack Pyc?
- **A.** Pyc jumped into the sled the wrong way and went down backward.
- **B.** Pyc missed the sled and slid down the run behind it.
- **C.** Pyc got sick during the event and fainted.
- **D.** Pyc substituted for an injured Swiss team member.

5. Before the 1994 Games in Lillehammer, Norway, Tonya Harding was investigated for plotting to injure fellow American Nancy Kerrigan. Kerrigan took the silver; where did Harding place?
- **A.** Third place.
- **B.** First place.
- **C.** Eighth place.
- **D.** 10th place.

6. What ice hockey player at the 1948 Games went on to become a tennis player, winning the Wimbleton singles title in 1954?
- **A.** Friedrich Demmer.
- **B.** Jaroslav Drobny.
- **C.** John Murray.
- **D.** John Kirrane.



Where did Tonya Harding place in the 1994 Winter Games?

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7. What athlete revolutionized cross-country skiing with his crisscross technique?
- **A.** U.S. skier Bill Koch.
- **B.** Norway's Bjorn Daehlie.
- **C.** Austria's Franz Klammer.
- **D.** Germany's Georg Zipfel

8. The biathlon combines what two things?
- **A.** Ice fishing with speed skating.
- **B.** Ski moguls with running.
- **C.** Downhill and cross-country skiing.
- **D.** Cross-country skiing and riflery.

9. American John Heaton participated in the skeleton in 1948, the last time this event was included in the Games until this year. Where did Heaton place?
- **A.** Sixth place.
- **B.** First place.
- **C.** Second place.
- **D.** Ninth place.

10. Until 1998, four countries — Germany, Austria, Italy and Soviet Union — had won all 87 medals in the luge. What country broke that streak and took two medals?
- **A.** Norway.
- **B.** United States.
- **C.** Italy.
- **D.** Sweden.

Answers: 1) A; 2) C; 3) D; 4) B; 5) D; 6) B; 7) A; 8) D; 9) C; 10) B.

SOURCES: "THE COMPLETE BOOK OF THE WINTER OLYMPICS," "THE OLYMPIC FACTBOOK," KRT.

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end."

McConathy said he anticipates the next few games before the conference tournament. "We have to be prepared wherever we're at," McConathy said. "When we're playing teams like McNeese, we can't wait until the end of the game to play good defense."

McConathy and the Demons are looking forward to the upcoming games. Last year, the demon basketball team made it to the conference championship and defeated McNeese 71-72.

The Demons also had a good season and they showed their strengths in the game.

Senior forward Jerrold McRae has a positive attitude about the games and about the tournament. "Reality is kicking in and it's just getting down to the nitty gritty," McRae said. "We are all definitely looking forward to the conference."

NSU vs. UT

allowing a double to start the inning. This led to the two-run inning and Northwestern failed to tie the game in the ninth inning.

"This is another game that shows where we're at," said Gaspard. "I think our offense will get better as we go along."

Northwestern (2-2) has scored 15 runs on the season but used excellent pitching and stellar defense to win its two games.

"We have gone toe-to-toe with some pretty good opponents," said Gaspard. "We can and should win these games."

Seniors Kelsey Tomyn and Tyler Durham each batted 2-for-4 for the Demons while senior shortstop Ricky Solis was 2-for-3 with two doubles and one run scored.

Texas starter Ray Clark held the Demons to six hits in seven innings work. Second baseman Tim Moss finished 2-for-3 and knocked in the winning run.

The Demons will return to action against defending Big Ten champion Minnesota this weekend, hosting a three-game series beginning Friday at 2:00 p.m. at Brown-Stroud Field.

National Sports

Suicide ruled out in death of limousine driver in former Nets star case; investigation continues to focus on Jayson Williams

An autopsy on the body of the limousine driver gunned down in the New Jersey mansion of former NBA star Jayson Williams confirmed the death was not a suicide, a medical examiner said Wednesday.

But the ruling was little comfort to the grieving family of Costas (Gus) Christofi as they gathered for his funeral - while Williams remained out of sight.

Kneeling before the gray coffin holding her slain brother's body, Andrea Adams shook as she quietly wept at St. George Greek Orthodox Church in Piscataway, N.J.

Christofi, 55, a bachelor who lived in Washington Township, N.J., was eulogized by Father John Theodosion as a man who turned his life around after a bout with drug addiction that landed him in prison.

"His life was filled with many difficulties and many victories, but for Christians the victories count the most," said Theodosion.

Afterward, about 50 mourners walked in a solemn procession past the closed coffin.

Theodosion said family members have received little information in the week since Christofi bled to death in a bedroom of Williams' mansion from wounds to his chest and abdomen.

Hunterdon County Medical Examiner Steven Diamond said Christofi died from a shotgun blast fired "at intermediate range."

No one has been charged, but the slow-moving probe increasingly has focused on Williams, 33, a retired New Jersey Nets basketball player who is an NBC sports broadcaster.

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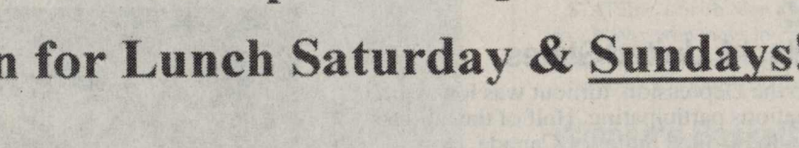
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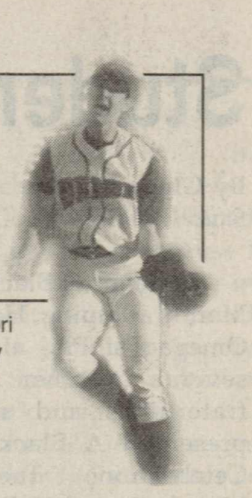
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UL- Monroe

Spring enrollment at ULM drops to 8,248

Spring enrollment is 8,248, down 5.1 percent from the spring 2001 enrollment.

The decline in enrollment is better than the administration expected, said Veronika Brown, coordinator of media relations.

"ULM was projected to experience a 10.4 percent decline this spring, but we only saw a 5.1 percent decline," Brown said.

The enrollment decline is due, in part, to the switch to selective admissions and the opening of Louisiana Delta Community College, both of which happened in 2001.

Georgetown

Georgetown aide arrested after stuffed-pig fracas

Singing and dancing, and young women in evening gowns: It's the stuff of any beauty/scholarship pageant, and the "Belle of the Blue" at Georgetown College in Kentucky is no different.

But the behind-the-scenes drama at this year's pageant wasn't so pretty.

Kathy Wallace, director of student activities, was charged Monday with fourth-degree assault, Georgetown police said.

The charge stems from an incident that happened during a Friday night rehearsal for the annual "Belle of the Blue" pageant at John Hill Chapel on the Georgetown campus.

The student, Keaton Lynch Brown, 18, a Georgetown College freshman from Brentwood, Tenn., told police in a complaint that Wallace grabbed her by the arm, pulled her from the stage and dragged her down some steps until she hit a door facing. The warrant says Wallace continued to hold Brown, "intentionally causing physical injury" to her arm, elbow, rib cage and hip.

WSU

Arab students return to campuses

After watching the horror of suicide pilots destroying the World Trade Center on Sept. 11, many nervous Middle Eastern students at Washington State University fled to their homelands, fearing a backlash from Americans.

But recently, most of those Middle Eastern students quietly have returned to the Pullman campus, meshing in with relative anonymity.

In Washington, WSU reports that only eight of 55 Middle Eastern students who left last semester have not returned.

Goodwill opens in Natchitoches

By Britton Faucon
Sauce Reporter

Goodwill Industries International quietly opened the doors to its new Natchitoches branch on Friday to get a feel for what to expect from the community.

"Ya'll come and see us," was a southern greeting posted on the door welcoming customers to the store upon their arrival.

"We really didn't know what to expect," store manager Cindy Rollinson said. "It has been more than anticipated (from the Natchitoches community)."

She said the store began receiving sizeable donations prior to its opening and believed that the Natchitoches community has needed a place to donate items. The Goodwill store is located on Highway 1 in the Cane River Shopping Center and is housed in the old Heilig-Meyers furniture building.

Rollinson said that Goodwill had been trying to open in Natchitoches for five years, but an adequate facility had been unavailable until now. Rollinson said the Natchitoches store would serve as a prime location between Shreveport and Alexandria.

Goodwill was founded in 1902 by Edgar J. Helms, a Methodist preacher. After receiving an overwhelming amount of donated clothes, Helms hired people to work for him and sold the clothes to the needy at a low price. Goodwill Industries International serves as a nonprofit organization with an effort to help those in need.

Through Goodwill Industries International, poverty and unemployment have been decreased by supplying jobs to those who would normally be turned away by other employers. Rollinson said the Natchitoches branch, in particular, has employed many women who have no references of previous

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Photo by Glenn Ward

University student Darcy Malone laughed at the low prices at Goodwill, Natchitoches' newest thrift store. Goodwill will had its grand-opening today.



Photo by Callie Reames

The University Columns' gate, as well as the fence around the perimeter of the property, were damaged after a University student drove a vehicle through the them on Feb. 10. The accident knocked out power to the Columns for a few hours.

Student crashes car through University Columns' gate

By Callie Reames
Sauce Reporter

A single vehicle accident near the University Columns front gate on Feb. 10 is still affecting University Columns' residents this week.

The security gates are heavily damaged and a large hole remains where the vehicle struck the perimeter fence.

The 1998 Honda SUV was driven by Nina Myllyluoma , an international student from Hyvinkaa, Finland.

Police said Myllyluoma was maneuvering a turn into the University Columns' gated driveway when she lost control of the vehicle and struck the fence and transformer inside the fence. The transformer had to be replaced that night in order to restore power to the apartments.

"It was knocked completely off of the concrete slab...It was completely annihilated," responding officer Mark Russell said.

"She was cited for no driver's license and failure to maintain control," Doug Prescott, University detective, said. "She was not charged with a DUI."

Myllyluoma declined to comment about the incident. She passed a field sobriety test administered by Russell.

The passenger, Justin Higgs, had been drinking but was of age. Higgs' mother owned the vehicle.

Yvette Caesar, NSU's International Student contact person said Myllyluoma could not be sent home for a traffic accident.

"It's not an Immigration Naturalization Service violation," Caesar said. "It's just a traffic violation."

Robbye Goddard, managing director of the University Columns, said the damages will cost approximately $5,000. She said the fence should be repaired next week.

Myllyluoma may be responsible for the damages.

"That would be up to the insurance company and a court of law," Prescott said.

NSU English professor honored with national award nomination

By Kira Gervais
Sauce Reporter

An NSU professor received a nomination for a national book award.

Joe Hardin, professor of English and the director of NSU's writing center, received used the research from his doctoral dissertation to write his 1998 book *Opening Spaces: Critical Pedagogy and Resistance Theory in Composition*, which was published by State University New York Press.

The Association of Teachers of Advanced Composition (ATAC) gives the W. Ross Winterowd Award each year for the best book in composition theory. The president of the association called Hardin in February and told him that he was nominated for the award.

All of the nominees will attend the Chicago Four C's (Conference on College Communications and Composition) Convention in March, where ATAC will announce the winner of the award. Hardin said that most of the nominations come from publishers and English teachers, which the ATAC narrows down to the final list of nominees.

Hardin said the idea for his book came from his interest in student writing.

"It came from concerns with making student writing matter more, trying to insure that students became better writers by actually thinking of themselves as authors," Hardin said.

The book is mainly written to use for graduate studies, Hardin said. There are some graduate programs around the country that are using his book in their curriculum.

Hardin began teaching in 1995 at the University of South Florida and St. Petersburg Junior College. He came to NSU in the fall of 1999.

Currently, Hardin is working on an edited collection of articles with Ray Wallace, a former English department head at NSU. Hardin has also published articles in other composition journals.

Hardin said that his writing and his teaching go hand in hand.

"Since, I'm a writing teacher, I think that writing classes ought to be taught by people who write," Hardin said.

Hardin brings his experiences as a writer into the classroom.

"By writing myself, I know what kinds of problems writers face when they try to write things. So I try and incorporate what I know about writing into my writing classes," Hardin

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Students celebrate Black History Month

By Glenn Ward
Sauce Reporter

In honor of Black History Month, Helping Hands and Omega Psi Phi, along with several other black fraternities and sororities, presented A Black History Celebration Tuesday in Magale Recital Hall.

The program was an interactive history lesson on significant black leaders and their effects on the world. The hall was filled with students and faculty representing many races. During each of the Greek presentations, the audience roared with approval, whether to Mystikal's "Bouncing Back," or a poem by Maya Angelou.

"Black history to me is a tribute to our ancestors and also to our youth as a contribution to society," Shawanda Woods, student support service counselor, said. "A bigger point of the program was not only to celebrate and commend black history, but black history is our history."



Photo by Glenn Ward

A crowd of many races showed up in Magale Recital Hall on Tuesday to celebrate Black History Month with Helping Hands and Omega Psi Phi. The two organizations worked in conjunction to present "A Black History Celebration."

The night consisted of readings, speeches and songs by famous African-Americans presented by NSU students, faculty and greeks. Rudolph Jones, president of Omega Psi Phi, said the production was a success and had a diverse turnout.

"I think it showed a sign of unity," Jones said. "It's a rare chance we get to give our thanks to blacks for making it possible."

Celebration host speaker Antonio Boyd was impressed with the turnout and thinks next year should be better.

"Look at all the black fraternities and sororities, all the blacks coming together, and the whites too," Boyd said.

University College dean Sue Weaver praised the organizations that put it on.

"We had Maya Angelou here about five years ago and that's the last time we had any celebration of this nature," Weaver said. "It was long overdue."

Sophomore Anderson Bryan Jr., a business administration major, said that February is a time to reflect on your past, "because without knowing your past you don't know where you're going in the future."

The event contained recreational and educational material alike.

The night ended with "Lift Every Voice and Sing," the unofficial black anthem.

NSU offers high school students a head start

By Jennifer Bocanegra
Sauce Reporter

NSU is giving some high school seniors a head start on their college education.

The Carl Perkins High School Articulation Program has expanded by adding Jena, Red River and Winnfield Senior High Schools.

The program began at Grant Senior High School with 32 high school seniors enrolled in two college courses offered by NSU. Program coordinator Susan Moak Nealy said the program was designed to provide a college education for high school seniors. She said that many seniors don't attend school for the entire day.

"The whole point is to give the students something challenging that will keep them in school," Nealy said.

> ***"We only have two seniors enrolled in English 1010 this semester."***
>
> ***-- Jane Griffin***
> ***Principal, Winnfield H.S.***

High school seniors with a 2.75 grade point average, and an ACT composite score of 18 in English and a composite score of 19 in math are eligible for the program. They must also meet any special criteria for the class and receive a recommendation from their school's principle.

"It's a good opportunity for kids to get their feet wet with college classes for a decent price," Jane Griffin, Winnfield Senior High School Perkins program coordinator, said.

In order to get the program going, Nealy said that she has received several waivers. The Board of Regents approved a one-year waiver for the class size limit that is required for off-campus courses.

"We only have two seniors enrolled in English 1010 this semester. We think that next year we'll have more participation," Griffin said.

Also, the Board of Supervisors approved a reduced tuition fee for seniors enrolled in this program. Each class costs $100, only a third of the cost traditional NSU students are paying.

"There are programs where the students pay no tuition or there is a grant for that pays for the tuition," Nealy said. "I really like this because it is affordable for students and yet they really have a stake in it. They put some money out there and they have an investment in doing well in this class."

Nealy said that her goal is for the program to include all of the parishes within NSU's service area.

SGA passes grant, helps soccer club

By Drew David
Sauce Reporter

A grant request from the university soccer club was the only business handled at an informal Student Government Association meeting Monday.

With several senators attending a COSGA convention (Committee On Student Government Associations) the SGA did not have the required number of senators present to hold a full meeting. This did not stop the NSU Soccer club however, from putting in a grant request.

Soccer club President Michael Briones requested $842 in order to pay for accommodation expenses while attending a soccer tournament in San Antonio next weekend.

Briones pointed out to the SGA that the club pursued team fundraisers; paid for uniforms, transportation and $200 in entry fees; and volunteered to sleep five to a room.

The request was unanimously approved and the meeting then adjourned.

"We feel good that we got the money," Briones said. " If we wouldn't have gotten it (the money), we would have been out $200."

Briones also had a positive outlook for the club's upcoming season.

SGA Wrap

-- No official meeting Monday. Several senators away at convention.

-- Soccer club given $842 for tournament expenses.

-- Student Senate resumes official business next Monday.

English professor

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said.

Even though it is difficult to find time to write,

Hardin tries to find time to write whenever he can. "The university expects us to write and publish in order to show that we are good teachers because the research and the teaching to go hand in hand. By researching and writing, I become a better teacher," Hardin said.

Above all, Hardin said he is a teacher.

"I call myself a teacher first and foremost, but I do enjoy writing as well," Hardin said.

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University Satellite Seminar Series

The **Leonard H. Goldenson University Satellite Series** will have a broadcast on Wednesday and Thursday. The broadcasts will be held in the Ora Garland Williams Studio in Kyser Hall, both beginning at 6 p.m. The broadcasts will cover television and the war on terrorism. On Wednesday the seminar will talk about how television's creative community responded to terrorism. On Thursday the seminar will discuss how the artistic community responded to terrorism. All students and faculty are invited to attend.

NSU Crew

Rent-a-Rower will be available again this semester. E-mail your order to rent_a_rower@hotmail.com. For more information contact Charles C. Percy, NSU Crew vice-president, at 357-5921.

The Gavel Club

The next **Gavel Club** meeting is scheduled for Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the Student Union Ballroom. The presidents of all campus organizations are advised to attend this meeting.

The Potpourri

To ensure your organization or club sport is included in the 2002 Year Disc, contact Joe Rawley at NSUYearDisc@hotmail.com or call 356-3043.

Social Work Club

The **NSU Social Work Club** would like to invite everyone to attend the next meeting on Monday at 2 p.m. We are currently involved in community activities and fundraisers. We are also planning a fun and educational trip to New Orleans. Come and join the fun.

Wind Symphony

The **NSU Wind Symphony** will perform in concert Wednesday, Feb. 27 at 7:30 p.m. in Magale Recital Hall. Admission is free and open to the public. NSU Director of Bands Bill Brent is the conductor.

Greek Week 2002

Greek Week begins next week, Mar. 3 through 8. The Greek Week schedule is as follows: **Sunday** - Greek Expo; **Monday** - Capture the Flag; **Tuesday** - Campus Clean up Day; **Wednesday** - Chariot Race/Follies; **Thursday** - Strut Off. We are looking forward to everyone's participation.

Student Government Association

The **SGA** is looking for new members. There are five positions for senator and one position for supreme court. Students interested in filling these positions should stop by Room 222 of the Student Union.

First Baptist Church

The **First Baptist Church** of Natchitoches will have a free lunch and bible study every Sunday following their 11 a.m. service. The First Baptist Church of Natchitoches is located on 508 Second St.

Catholic Student Organization

The **CSO** will have a Theology study and faith sharing Sunday nights at 8:00 followed by the 9:30 Mass. Bible Study every Tuesday night at 8:00. Fellowship every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. followed by a free meal. Everyone is welcome. For more info contact Amy Dowden at 352-2615.

Baptist Collegiate Ministry

The **BCM** will have Wednesday night worship across the street from Watson Library every Wednesday night. The worship begins at 8:31 p.m. All students are welcome to attend. For more information call the BCM at 352-5464.

Circle K International

Circle K International invites students to its meetings every Tuesday night at 8:30 p.m. in Room 320 of the Student Union. For more information call Jessica at 357-5974.

Fellowship Christian Athletes

FCA will be having its weekly fellowship every Tuesday night. The meetings are held in the athletic field house on the south end of Turpin Stadium at 8 p.m. There will be a devotional speaker each week. Everyone is welcome.

Spanish Club

The **Spanish Club** would like to invite potential members to its meetings every Wednesday at 3 p.m. in Room 331 of Kyser Hall.

Overcome Test Anxiety

A seminar on overcoming test anxiety will take place today from 3:30 to 4:30 in room 243 of Kyser Hall. This seminar is sponsored by the office of Student Support Services.

***To see your Campus Connections in next week's edition of The Current Sauce, drop off your information in the Campus Connection box in Room 225 of Kyser Hall.**



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Goodwill

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employment.

"It has been a good experience just learning to work," Mary Thomas, a Goodwill employee said. "All I have ever known is housework."

Because of her employment at Goodwill, Thomas said she plans to further her education and give back to the community by becoming a teacher.

Northwestern State University's theater department recently took advantage of Goodwill's affordable prices and unique, variety of styles.

Goodwill employee Amanda Spillman said the theater students searched through the racks of clothes for the perfect costumes for a party that evening. Spillman said she could see how students will benefit by having Goodwill in Natchitoches.

"It (Goodwill) has helped me with my major because I am able to talk to people in the same situation as I would find in a job later in my career," Spillman, a junior social work major, said.

Rollinson encourages NSU students to volunteer at the Natchitoches branch of Goodwill. She said donations are always welcome.

The grand opening was scheduled for today at 10 a.m. Mayor Wayne McCullen*, city council members, and the school board were scheduled to welcome Goodwill to the Natchitoches community at the ribbon cutting ceremony.

Goodwill is open seven days a week. Store hours are Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. They are also open on Sunday from 1 p.m. until 5 p.m.

"We really didn't know what to expect. It has been more than anticipated (from the Natchitoches community)."

Cindy Rollinson
Store manager, Goodwill
About the opening of Natchitoches' Goodwill

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The Boys performance an entertaining and comical production

The theatre department's performance of *The Boys of Syracuse* was comical as well as entertaining.



Tiffany Trichell
Tiff's Take

At first glance, this musical did not seem like the kind of production that could be effectively produced on such a stage as small as Theatre West's. Despite having the audience sitting almost on the stage itself, this energetic cast delivered a noteworthy performance without a hint of distraction.

The set designer, Thomas Shorrock, must also be commended on his work with such a limited space. Using a set consisting only of two large Greek-style columns, four benches, two balconies, and four large pictures that were moved across the back wall, the sets were transformed from a city square to an elaborate bedroom and back again with ease.

Costumes were another key element in the comic relief of this play. The two leading men, Colin Trahan and Adam-Louis Breaux, wore brightly colored suits of yellow pants, blue shirts, and the brightest red caps I have ever seen. No one else in the cast was left without color either. Even the maids were donned with brightly colored scarves that enhanced the colorfulness of this work.

The cast itself did a fabulous job. Leading ladies Karen Burns and Camill Sotomayer lit up the stage with their singing talent. The leading men cannot go without this recognition as well.

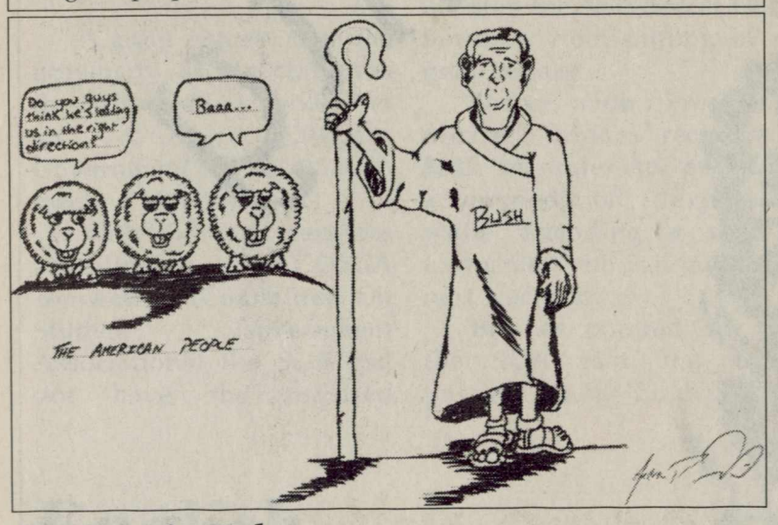
The award of most enjoyable cannot go to these four talented individuals, however. It must go to Kristin Jones, who played Luce, and the maids Amie Clark, Robyn Eddy, and Julia Higginbotham. These four women were the funniest and most character-driven members of the company. Though they only had supporting roles, the audience's response to their innocence, flamboyance, and all-around good humor was incredible. As I walked away from the playhouse, the only comments that I could hear were about how incredibly funny and lovable these characters were.

The NSU theater department's production of *The Boys from Syracuse* was an enjoyable experience. It is nice to see that there are still individuals with the drive to produce good theater.

Tiffany Trichell is a junior English major. Her column appears weekly in the *The Current Sauce*.

Correction

The Current Sauce incorrectly reported last week that Frank Toro proposed bill SP02-02, a bill pertaining to Club Sports. Scott Manguno proposed the bill.



Letters to the Editor

Apathy, lack of African-American leaders a huge problem on NSU campus

Michael Addison
Alumnus

It was at some point in history after our ancestors were shackled by rusty and bloody chains and thrown into the bellies of hundreds of ships that an invincible bond materialized, a bond between African brothers and sisters.

This bond couldn't be whipped into submission, sold on the auction block, or hung from southern oaks. Then, after some brave soul said, "Give us free," blacks began to unite in ways even amazing to the white man. We fought the fight for freedom using unity. We ultimately won, or did we?

I think our freedom kept us captive though. It kept us imprisoned by the belief that we didn't need each other anymore once we'd seen Dr. King's mountaintop.

Turns out, nowadays we're looking at the mountaintop from the vallies of indifference and apathy. The bond black folks share is beginning to decompose in our communities, various workplaces, and ultimately the universities.

So Lawrence, the problem that you're dealing with and that I've dealt with is nothing new. The fact that its tradition disturbs me the most. Its tradition for most black folks to be indifferent to the activities around us ("us" is inclusive because I'm guilty as well).

Its tradition, almost suggested, to be uninvolved. But the biggest problem lies with the students that are already members of these NSU organizations who are merely taking up space in the roll-book.

Your name on somebody's roll doesn't make you an active member. It means you're dead weight, luke-warm, uninfluential. I encourage you to get active, even if that means just reading *The Current Sauce*, staying abreast of campus, state, and world affairs so that you can hold intelligent conversations that don't sound like, "Who he impregnated?" or "Uh huh, yea she paper."

In hindsight of my college career, I painfully realize that some minority students don't get involved for ignorant and uneducated reasons like "I don't like the president even though I don't know him/her" or "My friend is not a member so I won't be either."

Some students don't even know the reason why they don't get involved or why they create discord in the organization(s) they are in. Lawrence, I commend you for sticking with your duties as president of A.A.C., because I know that motivating black folks on a daily basis is not easy.

Not too many African-American males would think twice about being a leader on campus. As a leader, you can only affect the external conditions to motivate people to unify, 90% of the problem is hidden from view. It's internal. But the more people realize that unity isn't some ideal that should be put on display during Black History Month, the more unity will become a way of life.

Stay up Capell.

Being an effective leader takes time, patience dedication and respect

Fredrick M. Atkins
President, Lifted Voices

I have a question for every officer on this campus. WHAT DOES IT TAKE TO BECOME AN EFFECTIVE LEADER?

After being president of an organization for a year I have seen the good, the bad, and the ugly. Not many people on this campus or anywhere else will ever experience what a President of an organization go through, went through or will go through. You have those that think just because you are president you have the authority to CONTROL.

Well my fellow colleagues I am telling you its more than just overseeing an organization. Being an effective LEADER takes TIMES, PATIENCE, AND DEDICATION.

Those three words can speak strong for any organization and their officers. But what is a leader without his or her followers? In order for a leader to excel he or she needs the help and support of their respective followers.

I look at it as a learning process, what one does not know he or she can learn from the other. With all said and done leadership brings UNITY. Unity does not come by the month, week, or by the hour.

Sometimes we as officers and members of an organization can only see problems in other organizations and fail to realize that the biggest problem is coming from our own. All it takes is a little time, patience, dedication but most of all to each organization it takes COOPERATION.

I applaud each and every president at this university for their hard work and dedication.

Online Submission

Electronic Funds Transfer do not help students get their money faster

Joni Paulette
Sophomore

I don't know about everyone else on this campus, but I think our returns from the electronic funds transfer takes too long to return to us.

Even if you do have a work study job, it still takes a month to earn a pay check.

I depend on that extra amount of money for living expense the first month of school. They told me it will be March when I get mine.

I really think the electronic funds transfer is not in the best interest of the students of NSU.

Letters to the Editor are open to anyone wishing to have their voice heard on campus.

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Editor's*Take*

Taking religion out of government could lead to bad karma

I hope you're sitting down, and if you're not, please do. I have a story that will absolutely make your blood boil.

The Supreme Court refused to hear a case Monday that would have only further complicated the issue of separation of church and state. The high court backed out of ruling on whether Indiana Gov. Frank O'Bannon could erect a 7-foot pillar displaying the Ten Commandments on the statehouse grounds. O'Bannon justified his idea by saying that the Ten Commandments represent tenets of American law as much as religious teachings.



Rondray Hill
Editor's Take

This is, as Mike Tyson would say, ludicrous.

For our Supreme Court to say that good morals and religious values have no place in our schools and government establishments is almost a sacrilege. Our nation needs the government to force us poor saps to be sanctified.

I mean, imagine a world where schoolchildren in this country can no longer pray to Allah five times a day in our public schools. What's next, are they going to tell our kids to no longer fast for Ramadan?

The Supreme Court has really outdone itself this time. Instead of simply ignoring that whole Congress-shall-make-no-law-respecting-an-establishment-of-religion jibber-jabber and taking a stand for decency and morality, they decided to take the low road and follow that whole separation of church and state crap.

I remember, as I'm sure you do, the days when we could take refuge in the Dharma, the Buddha and the Sangha without the government bullying us. Zen Buddhists across the country should write letters to their congressperson.

But, then again, what should we expect. We have no respect for old-fashioned morals of any kind in our nation. This is a culture that has taken the Torah out of the classroom and put metal detectors in it.

All I have to say is, there's some bad karma coming for our nation.

Don't these people know that our forefathers wanted a country where religion plays a part in our everyday lives? Don't they know that without the Eight-Fold Path hanging over every chalkboard and the Ten Commandments bolted into every courtroom, we are lost?

When are these soulless Supreme Court justices going to wake up? When are they going to realize that by actually following the Constitution they are, in fact, supporting terrorism? I'm glad our President Bush is willing to shave a little freedom off the Bill of Rights for the greater good of us all, but what's the deal with the Supreme Court? Shouldn't they know better? I mean, they did elect this guy, right?

I thought our Supreme Court was made up of patriotic Americans who do the right thing. Unfortunately, by standing up for the Constitution, they have just weakened our great nation.

At least the Second Amendment still protects my guns.

Rondray Hill is the Editor of *The Current Sauce*. Send him a letter, via email or by going to currentsauce.com and submitting a letter online.

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Daily Entertainment Ideas

Wednesday

Go Out Tonight

Danyule at the Pioneer Pub

By Callie Reames
Sauce Reporter

In the middle of the week, a break from classes and homework is a welcome distraction.

At 6:30 p.m. the Catholic Student Organization (CSO) gets things started with songs, games, skits, and guest speakers. After the service a free meal is served.

"It keeps you involved and active instead of just sitting around watching TV," Milka Sotomayor, a freshman education major, said.

The Foundation also begins its activities at 6:30 p.m. Niel Thomas, a freshman biology major, goes to the Foundation regularly.

"When there are new people that come in we usually try to talk to them and get to know them," Thomas said.

The Baptist Collegiate Ministry (BCM) service begins at 8:31 p.m. Like the CSO and the Foundation, there are songs, guest speakers and people to mingle with.

"I go to the BCM to see all the people that I haven't seen all week and see what's going on in their lives," Justin Reyburn, a freshman education major, said. Reyburn also said the BCM is more than a social event.

"I go to be encouraged in my walk with Christ," he said.

For Wednesday night entertainment of a more secular variety, there's the Pioneer Pub.

"I like that they have live entertainment," Zach Walters, a recent NSU graduate, said.

Every Wednesday there is either a live band or a show by NSU Theater's Out On a Limb improvisational troupe.

Scott Burrell, the faculty sponsor for the troupe, said there are about 10 people in the group, and they start performing around 10:30 or 11 p.m.

Silas Dollar, a senior general studies major, explained why he likes Out On A Limb.

"I know a lot of people that are in it," Dollar said. "It's cool, and they are good at what they do."

The CSO is at 129 Second Street. The Foundation and the BCM are both on College Avenue, across from Watson Library and the Alumni Center respectively. The Pioneer Pub is at 812 Washington Street.



Photo By Callie Reames

Bands such as Danyule perform at the Pioneer Pub on Wednesday nights.

Professor and artist Catherine Jennings to visit NSU

By Dondra Lewis
Staff Writer

Fishing boats, lighthouses, yachts and dust storms are featured in the watercolor paintings of Catherine Jennings. Those are a few of the items featured in the works of art that are on display in the Orville Hanchey Art Gallery.

Gallery director Roberta Walters said Jennings, a professor at California State University (CSU) in Chico, will visit several NSU art classes on Monday and Tuesday, where she will discuss her art with students.

The watercolorist has traveled to different locations to capture their beauty and uniqueness in her paintings. Four series are on display in the gallery: Northern California, Jerusalem, Southwest Texas and Maine.

Preceding each group is a statement from Jennings of why and what her thoughts are on the series. Jennings visually recreates her own impression and experience of the place in her paintings.

Shown at the entrance on an artist's note, Jennings stated, "Through this subjective realism I hope to spark in the viewer both a connection and sense of presence."

Jennings teaches several classes at CSU including basic drawing, intermediate painting and color theory. She received her bachelor of arts from Smith College, her Masters of Fine Arts from the University of Pennsylvania and her doctorate from Texas Tech University. According to Jennings while in Lubbock, Texas she created her South Texas series of paintings.

The 36 works of art will be the feature item in a reception held for Jennings on Monday from 7 to 9 p.m. Students are invited to attend the reception in the gallery and meet with Jennings to discuss her travels and works of art.

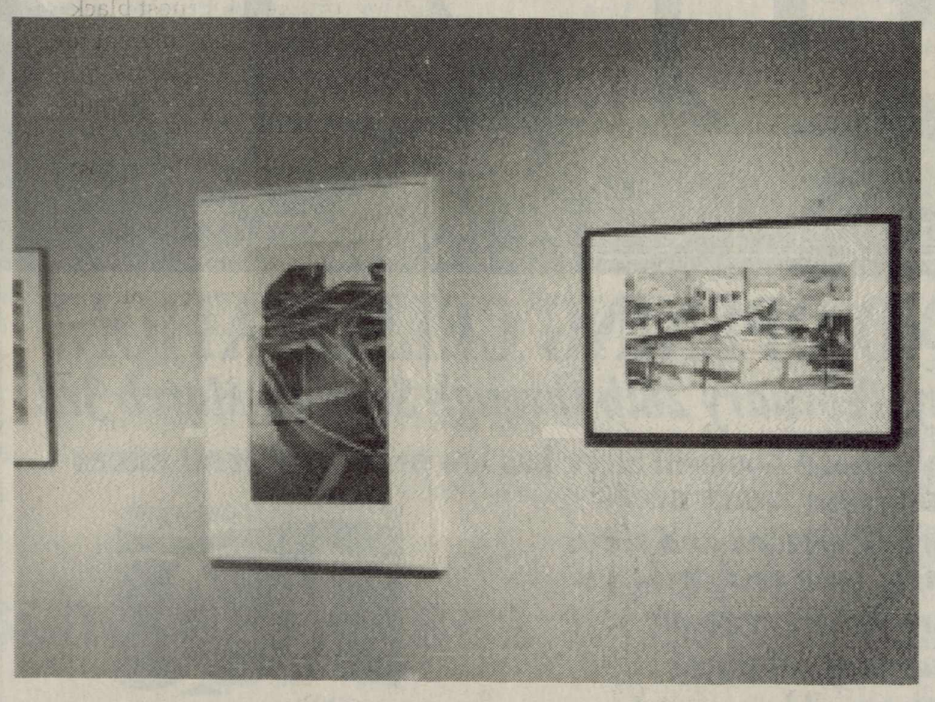


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Boats are just some watercolor paintngs that are featured in Catherine Jennings gallery. You can view the artwork at the Hanchey art gallery.

Son of `Oprah' psychologist advises teens with book

Knight Ridder Newspapers

So what do you do if your dad is a nationally recognized psychologist, known for "telling it like it is?"

Well, if you're Jay McGraw, son of Oprah Winfrey's resident no-punches-pulled psychologist, Phil McGraw, you write a bestselling book and go to law school.

Jay McGraw's first book, "Life Strategies for Teens" (Fireside, $14), was published in December 2000, while McGraw was getting his bachelor's degree in psychology at the University of Texas at Austin. In the book, which spent several weeks on The New York Times' bestseller list, Jay McGraw uses the same 10 Life Laws his dad explains in his bestseller "Life Strategies: Doing What Works, Doing What Matters" (Hyperion, $21.95).

"I spent so much time with my dad when he was promoting `Life Strategies' that I thought it would be great if we could do this so teens could understand," says Jay McGraw, 22, a first-year law student at Southern Methodist University in Texas.

Phil McGraw is a regular on the "Oprah" show, where he gives brutally honest answers to relationship problems.

Jay McGraw gives the same sort of straight talk, telling teens they can either whine or act more maturely.

"He has a high expectation, but he allows us a lot of freedom. He knew what I was going to do before I did it."

Jay McGraw
referring to his dad

In his new book, "Closing the Gap: A Strategy for Bringing Parents and Teens Together" (Fireside, $14), Jay McGraw blasts parent and teen myths, suggests ways to bridge the gap between parents and teens and gives a list of parent and teen do's and don'ts - like don't mistake your parents for fools, don't be scared to ask for help and don't give up on your teen-ager.

"Teens today are in so much trouble, but parents don't realize it because they don't have a relationship with their teens," he says.

His own father kept close tabs on him through his not-so-turbulent teens, he says.

"He has a high expectation, but he allows us a lot of freedom," Jay McGraw says of his dad. "He knew what I was going to do before I did it.

"We spent so much time together, with him explaining things to me," he remembers. "I took his problem-solving skills out into the world with me.

"Parents say they wish they could be there when somebody offers their kid drugs," Jay McGraw says. "He was there with me, because I knew what he would say.

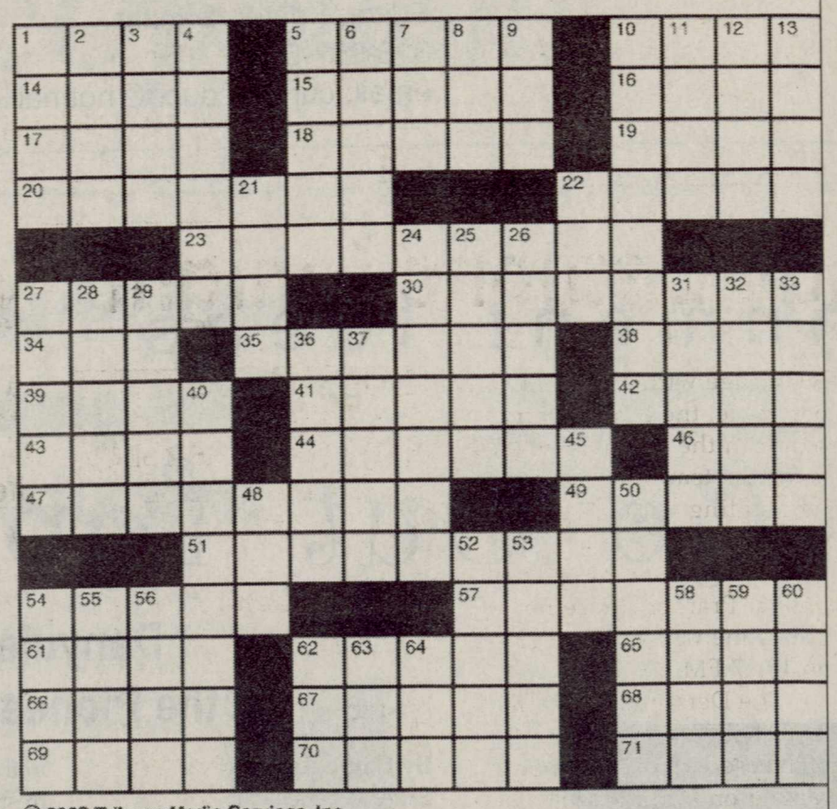
"We would see somebody doing something and we would have a discussion about the dangers. He could see around corners."

As for the Oprah connection, Jay McGraw says that's his dad's deal and he isn't planning to go on her show anytime soon, but she does spend a lot of time at the McGraw family's house in Las Colinas, Texas.

"Oprah's been here a lot," he says. "Actually, I just say O. She is the nicest woman. I've gotten to form a great relationship with her."

Because of the close relationship with his dad and his mom, Robin, Jay McGraw says he was able to avoid a lot of teen-age problems. So has his brother, 15-year-old Jordan.

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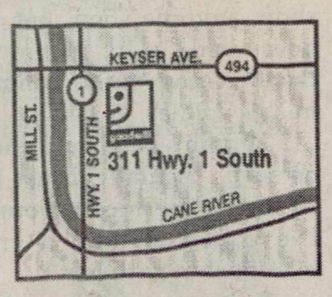
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Senior night, pride night for Lady Demons tonight

Current Sauce Sports Services

The Northwestern State Lady Demon basketball team will host McNeese for its last regular season home game and honor its lone senior, Emily Huey, tonight in Prather Coliseum at 7 p.m.

NSU fell at Stephen F. Austin Monday night, 88-68, as the Ladyjacks shot 53 percent from the field. Junior Tiffany Hall pulled down a career-high 21 rebounds and junior Angela Davidson scored 18 points in the losing effort.

"We're going to be ready to play," said Lady Demon head coach James Smith. "It was disappointing to lose to Stephen F. but we still have a lot to play for."

The loss clinched the regular season title for SFA. The Lady Demons however will host a semifinal game next Thursday at 7 p.m. NSU is undefeated at home this season, going 11-0.

Junior Angela Davidson continues to lead the conference in scoring with 16.0 points per game while junior La'Terrica Dobin leads the nation in assists with 8.6 per game.

McNeese (6-20, 6-13 SLC) is led by junior Kellie Burbridge with 14.4 points per game, the third leading scorer in the league. She also leads the team in rebounding with 6.7 per game.

Tip-off is set for 6:30 p.m. at Prather Coliseum. The game will be broadcast on 100.7 FM.

The Demon basketball team will be playing at McNeese at 7 p.m. and be carried on 97.3 FM.

Tonight's Game

Lady Demons (15-2 SLC) vs. McNeese (6-13 SLC)
Senior Night

6:30 p.m., Prather Coliseum

Radio
100.7 KZBL FM.

Sauce Stats

Men's Basketball

Standings	W	L	%
McNeese State	15	3	.833
Texas-San Antonio	13	5	.722
Louisiana-Monroe	13	5	.722
Lamar	10	8	.556
Stephen F. Austin	9	9	.500
Northwestern State	**9**	**9**	**.500**
Southwest Texas	9	9	.500
Sam Houston State	9	10	.474
Texas- Arlington	8	11	.421
Southeastern Louisiana	6	13	.316
Nicholls State	0	19	.000

Conference Leaders

Scoring Average

1.Barber, Steven-UTA	19.2
2.Powers, McEverett-UTSA	18.8
3.Brown, Devin-UTSA	17.7
4.Hendrix, Damany-LU	17.7
5.Byars-Dawson, Michael-NSU	**16.6**
6.Cole, Donald-SHSU	16.3
7.Abdur-Rahim, Amir-SLU	16.2
8.Coleman, Jason-MCN	15.8
9.Austin, Ron-LU	15.2
10.Lubeck, Brian- ULM	15.1

Who's in the Southland Conference Tournament

1) McNeese State
2) Texas- San Antonio
3) ULM
4) Lamar
5) SFA
6) **NSU**/SWT

Did you know...

...McNeese has never won a conference tournament championship in the same year it won the regular season championship? The Cowboys'only tournament win came in 1989.

Women's Basketball

Standings	W	L	%
Stephen F. Austin	18	1	.947
Northwestern State	**15**	**2**	**.833**
Texas-San Antonio	14	5	.736
Texas-Arlington	12	7	.631
Southwest Texas	9	10	.473
Southeastern Louisiana	8	11	.421
Nicholls State	7	12	.368
Louisiana-Monroe	7	12	.368
Lamar	6	13	.315
McNeese State	6	13	.315
Sam Houston State	2	17	.105

Leaders

Assist Average (Nation)

1.Dobin, LaTerrica-NSU	**8.6**
2.Nord, Sara-Louisville	8.1
3.Johnson, Temeka- LSU	7.7
4.Koclanes, Michele- Richmond	7.6
5.Vicente, Erica-SW Mo. State	7.5
6.Ashbaugh, Becki-Santa Clara	7.1
7.Chikos, Jayme-Elon	6.9
8.Sharon, Shiri-Duquesne	6.7
9.Sanders, Krisey-Chicago St.	6.6
10.Sharp, Kristen- Cincinatti	6.5

Who's in the Southland Conference Tournament

1) Stephen F. Austin*
2) Northwestern State*
3) Texas-San Antonio*
4) UTA*
5) Southwest Texas
6) Nicholls/SELU/ULM

(*)= Secured seed in tournament

Did you know...

...SFA and NSU have met eight times in the conference tournament finals? NSU is 0-8 in those games.

Baseball

NSU 21, Grambling 7
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NSU: Quattrociocchi (1), Linck 2 (2)
GSU: Campbell

W-- Scott (1-0)
L – Worrall (0-1)

This weekend

NORTHWESTERN STATE TOURNAMENT (MARCH 1-3)

Ark.-Little Rock vs.La.-Tech
4 p.m Friday

Texas A&M-Corpus Christi vs. NSU
7 p.m. Friday

Baseball tournament kicks off friday versus Texas A&M--Corpus Christi

The Northwestern State Demon baseball team is set to host a weekend of baseball as the third annual Ken Moran Trucking Demon Baseball Classic begins Friday at Brown-Stroud Field.

In-state rival Louisiana Tech, Arkansas-Little Rock, and Texas A&M Corpus Christi will also play in the three-day, round-robin event sponsored by Ken Moran Trucking Inc. of Alexandria.

Friday's schedule sends Louisiana Tech, 9-5 this year, against Arkansas-Little Rock (10-3) at 4 p.m. followed by a 7:00 contest between Northwestern (6-2) and Texas A&M Corpus Christi (4-9).

Texas A&M Corpus Christi meets Louisiana Tech Saturday at 1 p.m. with Arkansas-Little Rock taking on the Demons at 4. Sunday, Arkansas-Little Rock and Texas A&M Corpus Christi play at 1 p.m. with Louisiana Tech battling *North*western at 4.

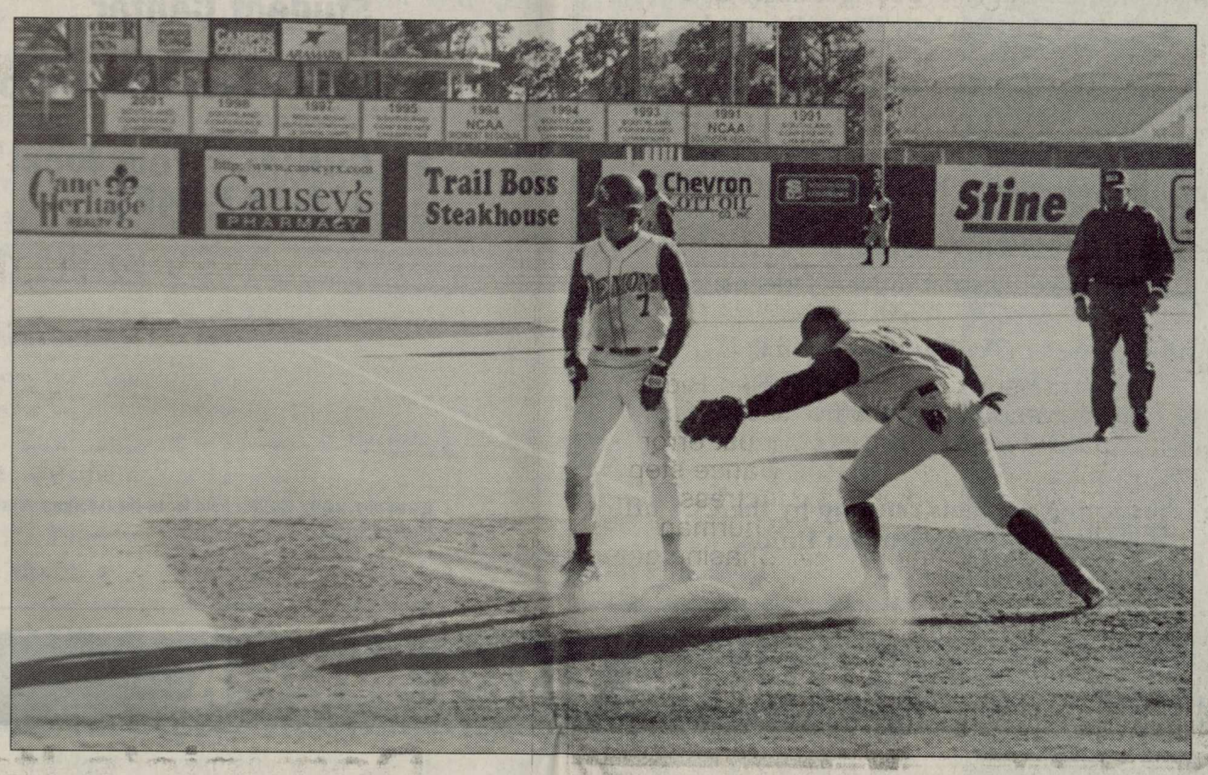
Northwestern got three home runs in the second inning, a solo shot and a grand slam from senior first baseman Ed Linck and a two-run home run by senior second baseman David Quattrociocchi, as the Demons romped past Grambling, 21-7.

"The Northwestern State baseball program is very appreciative of the support from Ken Moran Trucking. As a former NSU athlete, Mr. Moran is a great supporter of our entire athletic program and we are proud to associate the Demon baseball program with him and his business," said first-year NSU coach Mitch Gaspard.

"It's important to bring quality NCAA Division I opponents to our park and we've been able to do that with the support of Mr. Moran and the entire Northwestern community," said Gaspard. "We are very excited about the caliber of play in this tournament and most of all, we're glad to be playing in Natchitoches."

Fund raising at NSU

Digging for spare change



Display advertisements, like the ones outlining the walls of Brown-Stroud field, are one way athletic departments help pay for a teams expenses.

Photo by Glenn Ward

The money's funny, but someone has to pay for it

By Janie Warren
Sauce reporter

Another year, another season of funding travel, recruit, and hotels for the Demon baseball team.

So where does money come from for the baseball team's expenses? Well, the university is the first source that supplies the funds. Sponsors and fundraisers also provide the Demons with money for their budget. Demon baseball head coach Mitch Gaspard said the fundraisers allow the team to go beyond their budget.

"Not much is generated, so we have things such as a homerun derby in the fall that helps us with equipment and travel," Gaspard said. " We also have a golf tournament that aids in fundraising."

The Demon baseball team is not the only athletic team on Northwestern State's campus that participates in fundraising. Northwestern State's football, soccer, softball, and basketball teams also hold fundraisers to cover their costs and expenses.

Athletic Director Greg Burke is very supportive of accommodating teams through fundraisers.

"I have great admiration for the coaches and team members," Burke

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Softball opens home, conference schedule versus UTSA

By Rondray Hill
Editor

If you're going to start you conference season this weekend, why not start it at home?

Especially if your team has built a slight disdain of playing at other ballparks. The Demon softball team has played 25 of its first 26 games in a stadium named something other than the Demon Diamond.

Saturday's game versus Texas-San Antonio marks not the first home game since Feb. 13, but also the first conference game of the season.

"We try to play our preconference games at tough places," said head coach Ty Singleton. "We want to play at places that have an (NCAA) regional-type atmosphere, places with big crowds and tough teams."

The Demons came out of those tournaments at .500 with a 13-13 record. Playing in four tournaments at Baylor, Oklahoma, Louisiana-Lafayette and LSU, the Demons scored victories against historically dominant programs such as Louisiana-Lafayette and picked up two victories versus Florida.

NSU lead by Annie Johnson's 22 steals, leads the conference in that category and in team ERA. The Demons are also second in the conference in batting.

"We learned we can run on anybody," Singleton said. "Being able to run establishes our game plan. When we relax in the batter's box, come through on the mound and catch well, we can compete with anyone."

The weekend matchup will feature two teams who are consistently two of the top teams in the conference. UTSA, coming off winning the Bash by the Bay tournament, boasts conference Pitcher of the Week Angela Graham.

"We focused on doing what we need to do for the start of the conference season," outfielder Kiana Scott said.

Conference play begins

Demons (13-13) vs UTSA (7-15)

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Seagrave is one of the world's foremost authorities on speed. He helped turn Michael Johnson into the fastest man on the planet. And each winter, he heads to IMG headquarters in Bradenton to prepare would-be NFL players for their run for the money.

Beginning today, college football players from around the country will pour into the RCA Dome in Indianapolis for the four-day dog-and-pony show that is the NFL Combine. This weekend, hundreds of players will be scrutinized and analyzed to the satisfaction of the league's 32 teams, as information-gathering for the April 20-21 draft heats up.

In the past several years, athletic "boutiques" such as IPI have popped up in venues such as Pittsburgh, Atlanta, Phoenix and Los Angeles as mechanisms to prepare for the specific physical and mental testing held at both the combine and individual on-campus workouts that precede the draft.

Last year, IMG and agent Tom Condon had a class of 12 players at IPI. Six of them, including Tampa Bay tackle Kenyatta Walker out of Florida, were taken in the first round.

This year's IMG class of eight included Florida offensive tackle Mike Pearson, Boston College running back William Green and Oklahoma safety Roy Williams; each is considered a first-rounder.

Picture beauty-pageant contestants exercising, primping and cramming for the biggest day of their lives. How they perform at the combine will dictate their status in the draft, which, in turn, will dictate the value of their rookie contract.

"You have to understand that you are an investment by a team - and that team wants the most out of its investment," Pearson said. "They have the routine here down to a `T.'

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Collegiate fund raising

said. "They have been creative with the way they raise money."

Burke also said that fundraisers for Division I schools such as NSU are beneficial because they don't have the money available that the bigger SEC schools are able to bring in.

The bigger schools have thousands of people attending games that generate money from ticket costs. Those SEC schools also have good media coverage. "Division I conference schools benefit from six and seven digit contracts," Burke said. "Schools in our conference at our level don't have that."

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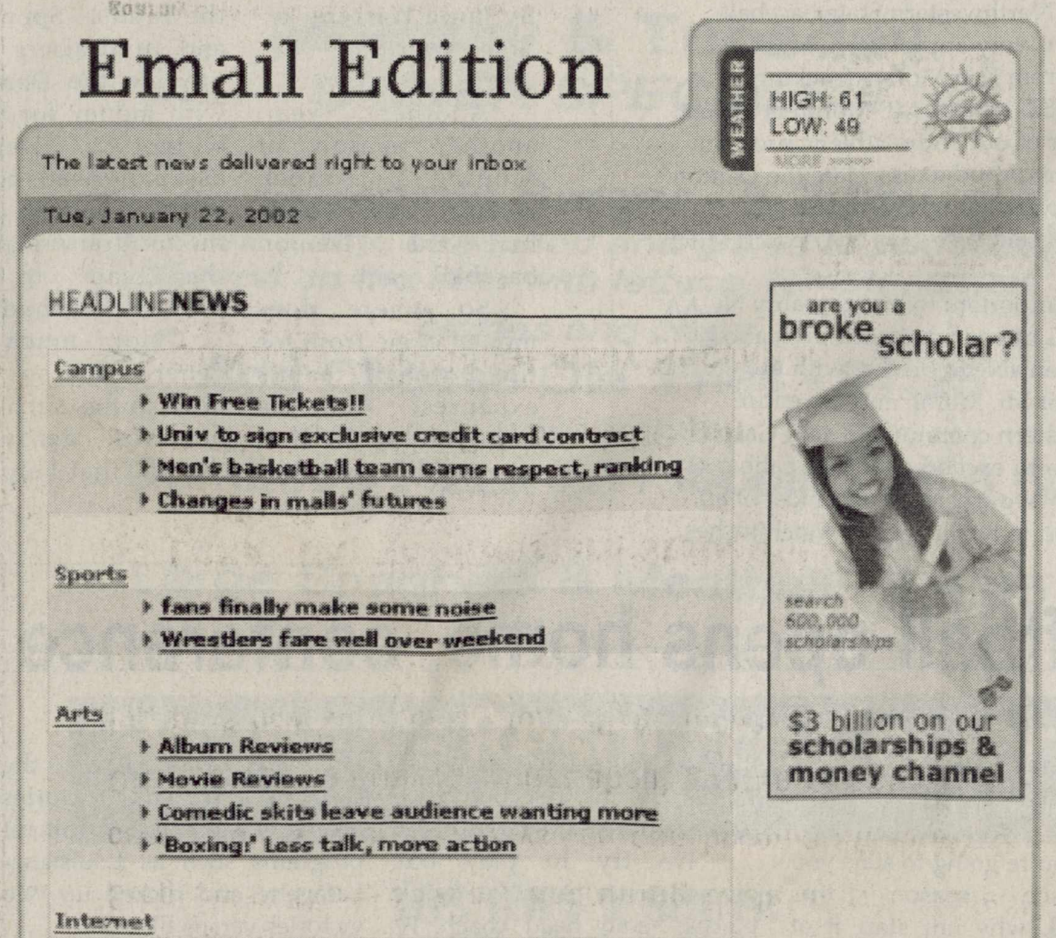
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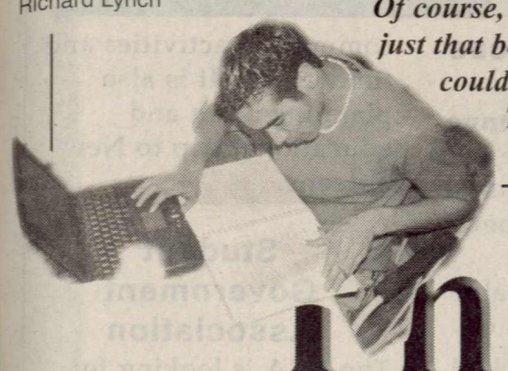
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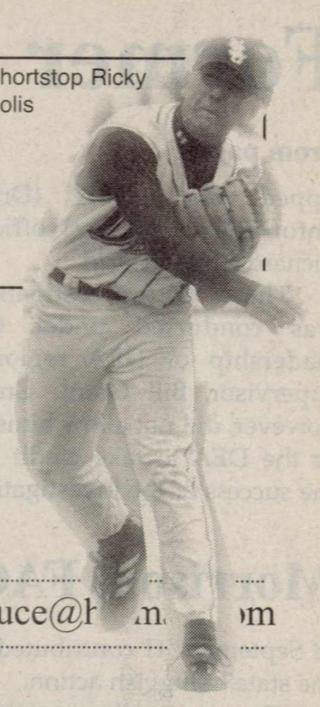


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Sports

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Shortstop Ricky Solis



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Sauce Briefs

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UL-Monroe

ULM education dean set to retire July 1

ULM Dean of the College of Education and Human Development, Dr. Dale Johnson, will be stepping down from his post July 1.

Johnson said because of medical reasons, his physician advised him to leave the stressful arena of the deanship. Johnson intended to remain dean for five years, but extenuating circumstances will not allow him to complete the term.

Johnson is not leaving ULM altogether, he will serve as a professor of education. He will teach both elementary and secondary education classes in reading and language arts.

USC

South Carolina offers 'The Simpsons' Lisa *Simp*son scholarship

Bert Ligon knew he had to do something when Lisa Simpson, Springfield's brainiest 8-year-old and star of the Fox animated series "The Simpsons," emphatically rejected her father's idea to send her to USC.

So Ligon, the quick-thinking director of the University of South Carolina's jazz studies program, offered Bart's saxophone-playing sister a scholarship. Ligon said it just might change her mind.

The Feb. 17 episode of "The Simpsons," a long-running cartoon satire by Matt Groening, set the chain of events in motion.

That's when Lisa clutched the front gate of Springfield's elite private school as her father, Homer, tugged on her ankles. Despite her pleading, Homer told her the family couldn't afford it; he tried to reassure her by saying he would send her to school in South Carolina.

A distraught Lisa insisted she didn't want to be a Gamecock.

Rowan U.

Rowan University bans keg parties

Taking aim at a collegiate tradition, Rowan University has put the kibosh on kegs.

School officials announced that the aluminum barrels of beer would no longer be permitted at parties hosted by Rowan's 25 fraternities and sororities - on campus, or off.

The policy is effective immediately. If a fraternity or sorority is found in possession of a beer keg, the house will be fined $500. Subsequent violations carry a $1,000 fine and revocation of student organization status.

"All this is going to do," said Donnie Johnson, a sophomore from Atlantic County, "is cause people to buy more cans."

Lady Demons advance to the SLC Tournament, face UTA

By Britton Faucon
Sauce Reporter

NSU cheerleader Laci Laborde traveled with the Demon basketball team to the Southland Conference tournament last season.

"(It was an) awesome experience last year," Laborde, a sophomore nursing major, said. "I am hoping we get to go again with one team. It will be great."

She may get her chance. The Lady Demons are the second-ranked team going into tonight's Southland Conference tournament semifinal game. They take on Texas-Arlington in Prather Coliseum with the tip off at 7 p.m.

Tim Van, a freshman art major, sat out this season of men's basketball and served as a prominent spectator at Lady Demon basketball games.

"They work really well as a team," Van said. "They have a lot of potential. They need to work on their newcomers with their speed and development."

Forrest Williams, assistant sports information director, said there would be promotions for students attending the game.

Williams said that Delta Airlines has compiled a package to be given away to students. The package includes a $600 voucher to any Delta location and $250 redeemable at The Travel Place in Natchitoches, for a total prize package of $850. Students can sign up for the drawing at the game and must be present to win.

Davin White, a senior general studies major, believes that the Lady Demons are better than the men's team. "I think as long as they hustle, they'll do all right," White said. "They'll do better than the boys. They could probably beat the boys."

Phillip Cooley regularly serves as an usher at games, and he commented on the difference in attendance at the women's games and men's games.

"(It is) probably because guys get more aggressive," Cooley, a sophomore business major, said. "Guys dunk. People like to see that stuff."

Vic the Demon even thinks the Lady Demons are doing well.

Vic sees no way they can lose on Thursday because, "Once they get kicking, they get kicking like a chicken."

Matt Tucker, a freshman business major, explained the intensity of his school spirit.

"I try to get people into the game doing whatever," Tucker said. "I've painted myself a couple of times."

Tucker promised to be seen in purple garb ready to root the Lady Demons to victory over the Lady

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The March to the River Walk is on!

The Women's Final Four is in San Antonio this year. Check out the Special insert to *The Current Sauce* for this year's Southland conference tournament.

Inside, you'll get times, dates and scenarios as well as conference trivia.

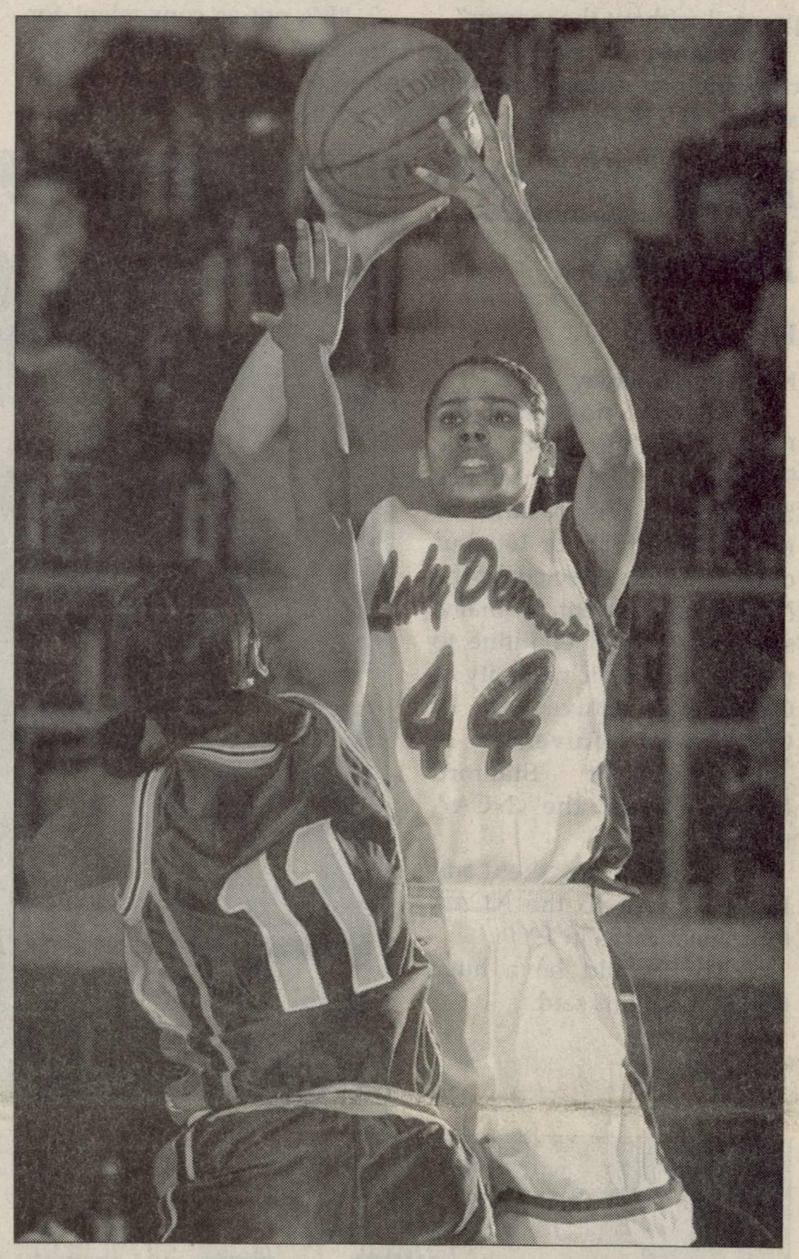


Photo by Gary Hardamon

Lady Demon junior forward and Southland Conference Player of the Year Angela Davidson and the rest of her teammates will face UT-Arlington tonight in Prather Coliseum at 7 p.m. for the second round of the SLC Tournament. The Lady Demons have never won the SLC Tournament.

Four former NSU students indicted on drug charges

By Drew David
Sauce Reporter

Four former university students have been indicted on charges of allegedly conspiring to smuggle MDMA, also known as ecstasy.

The four are facing charges that could earn each of them up to 20 years in prison, a million dollar fine, or both. The four are Lowray Matthew Cachere, 24, Michael Wayne Cobb, 20, Trent Parker Harrell, 22, and Colby Joseph Hebert, 21, a member of Sigma Nu fraternity and a presidential ambassador during his tenure at Northwestern, allegedly intended to distribute over 5,000 tablets of MDMA throughout the northwest areas of Louisiana.

Although the arrests occurred on Nov. 14 of last year at an off-campus residence, news was not made public by the arresting organizations for fear that it would prompt a remaining five other suspects to go into hiding. The remaining suspects, including three Dutch nationals and a Florida resident were all eventually arrested on Jan. 23. Cachere, Cobb, Harrell, and Hebert were later released into supervised custody.

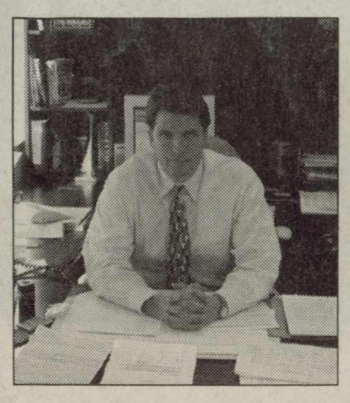


Photo by Drew David

DEA regional supervisor Bill Grant and other federal and state agencies led the raid that took more than 5,000 units of ecstacy off of the streets.

"We didn't want the information leaking because we still had five other suspects who weren't in custody and we didn't want them getting

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Bids sent out for Morrison, FACS building renovations

By Garrett Guillotte
Copy Editor

After facing delays concerning the September 11 terror attacks and the recent economic recession, state administrators began advertising for construction bids for the renovations of Morrison Hall and the Family and Consumer Sciences building on Tuesday.

In a fax acquired by the Current Sauce, state Commissioner of Administration Mark Drennen and Administrative Director Denise Marrero requested the Baton Rouge Advocate and Natchitoches Times to run advertisements for bids on the first three Tuesdays of March. The attached advertisement said bids would be accepted until April 10.

The state's action came after several months of inactivity at the two buildings, which house the Louisiana Scholars' College and the university's Family and Consumer Sciences and Nursing departments. Betsy Cochran, the Scholars' College's department head, said she believed declining tax revenues related to the impact

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University students and faculty mourn loss of student

By Callie Reames
Sauce Reporter

Twenty-two year old Melissa Ann Gooden gave the poem "If Tomorrow Starts Without Me" to some of her friends the day before an automobile accident that claimed her life.

Gooden died in an accident Saturday, February 23, in Bayou Vista while leaving a movie theater. She was a passenger in the car that collided broadside with another vehicle.

Gooden was a junior History major from Campti, and she worked at the Alumni Center.

Friends of Melissa Ann Gooden remember her as an outgoing and confident young woman.

Jo Ann Edmonds worked with Gooden.

"She laughed all the time, but she was very serious when it came to school work or her job," Edmonds said.

Edmonds explained that Gooden was noticeably shorter than other adults her age.

"People thought she was twelve because she was 4'11," Edmonds recalled.

Heather Adams also worked with Gooden at the Alumni Center.

"She had a lot of self-esteem...A lot of people have insecurities about being short." Adams said. "Melissa was the complete opposite."

Adams mentioned Gooden was never down and always in a good mood.

"If there was something wrong with her she'd express it, but she'd never let it interfere with anything," Adams said.

Gooden was about to get her first driver's license and was in the process of purchasing a vehicle.

Adams said it was hard to accept the news of her friend and co-worker's death.

"I really didn't believe it. It was shocking...I keep thinking she is gonna walk through the door. I don't know if I'll ever realize...," Adams said.



Photo courtesy of Jill Edmond

Gooden

Gooden lived with self-appointed parents Jack and Diane Foster in Campti. Funeral services were held at Rockett-Nettles Funeral Home Chapel in Coushatta.

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tipped off," DEA (Drug Enforcement Agency) officer Richard Childers said.

The DEA investigation was conducted under the leadership of DEA regional supervisor, Bill Grant. Grant however, did not allow himself or the DEA to take credit for the success of the investigation and gave a proper nod of acknowledgement to several local agencies. Grant cited the U.S Drug Enforcement task force, consisting of law enforcement agencies from Bossier City and Shreveport, and the Louisiana State Police. The Natchitoches Multi-Jurisdictional Task Force, which is staffed by the Natchitoches Parish Sheriff's Office and the Natchitoches Police Department, also received high praise from Grant.

"I want to credit the Natchitoches Sheriff's Department, and Sheriff Victor Jones, without whose help we couldn't have been so successful," Grant said. " I just supervised the operation, the field agents and the sheriff's department did all the ground work along with the Multi-Jurisdictional Task force."

"We're making a dent (on the illegal drug trade)," U.S. District Attorney Donald Washington said. "For years there was not enough law enforcement mass to address the issue. We're making progress, but we've still got miles to go."

Morrison, FACS project

of September 11 contributed to the state's sluggish action.

"It was actually potentially going to be on time," Cochran, whose department formerly inhabited Morrison Hall, said. "This should have happened sooner, but they couldn't proceed without the money."

Cochran said the construction issue was put aside at the state bond commission meetings in October and December before finally being approved.

For now, Cochran said the college's biggest problems in South Hall have involved building security and scheduling classes.

"It's not as convenient for students, but it's really bad for some of the faculty who have to go from one side of campus to another to teach consecutive classes," Cochran said.

Family and Consumer Sciences department head Patricia Pierson said she looks forward to construction starting on her department's building.

"Once constructions starts over there, I think we'll all feel much better about it," Pierson said.

Pierson said her department is short on space, and her students miss having a place to congregate.

"We feel bad that we don't have more space for them," Pierson said. "But... we all know it's temporary and so... we just kind of have to grin and bear it."

Lady Demons

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Mavs on Thursday.

Williams said that if the Lady Demons win the Southland Conference tournament they would be ranked as the 15th or 16th out of the 64 teams selected for the NCAA tournament. Williams said they would continue to play against the University of Oklahoma, University of Connecticut, University of Tennessee, or Stanford University in the NCAA tournament.

The last time the Lady Demons went to the NCAA tournament was in 1989.

"This would be a huge thing," Williams said.



Photo by Glenn Ward

Greek Week 2002

All 19 Greek organizations, from the Interfraternity, the Panhellinic and the Pan Hellinic counsels, took part in Greek Week 2002 this week. The week of events, which included Capture the Flag, Clean-up Day and even Chariot Races, is meant for all Greek organizations on campus to come together and unite as one.

"It's just more to show Greek pride and unity and show we really do get along with each other and we're out there and we support Northwestern, as well as the Greek community," Greek Week chairman, Misty Garrett said.



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Job Fair

The Counseling and Career Center would like to invite all students and faculty to attend the Spring and Summer Job Fair, on Tuesday from 8 a.m. to noon in the Student Union Lobby. For more information call 357-5621 or stop by the office in room 305 of the Student Union.

Job Opportunities

The **Counseling and Career Center** has received correspondence of position openings from these businesses: Wells Fargo Financial, credit manager, Covington, La.; State Department of Social Services, social services specialist, Vermillion Parish OCS; NSU, College of Education, secretary; NSU, Financial Aid, accounting specialist; Marriott, many positions available, New Orleans, La.; Lott Oil Company, account payable clerk, Natchitoches. For more information students can stop by the CCS office in Room 305 of the Student Union.

Mu Epsilon Delta

Mu Epsilon Delta and Kaplan Test Prep will sponsor practice GRE, GMAT, LSAT, MCAT or NCLEX exams for only $5 Friday, March 15 from 3 to 6 p.m. The exams will be held on the first floor of Bienvenue Hall and registration will begin at 2:45 p.m. Space is limited, so call 1-800-KAP-TEST to register. Refreshments will be provided.

Public Relations Society of America

PRSSA will meet Wednesday at 6 p.m. in Room 107 Kyser Hall. All journalism majors are welcome to attend.

NSU Crew

Rent-a-Rower will be available again this semester. E-mail your order to rent_a_rower@hotmail.com. Rent-a-Rower is open to NSU faculty and students. For more information contact Charles C. Percy, NSU Crew vice-president, at 357-5921.

The Potpourri

To ensure your organization or club sport is included in the 2002 Year Disc, contact Joe Rawley at NSUYearDisc@hotmail.com or call 356-3043.

Social Work Club

The **NSU Social Work Club** would like to invite everyone to attend the next meeting on Monday at 2 p.m. The club is currently involved in community activities and fundraisers. It is also planning a fun and educational trip to New Orleans.

Student Government Association

The **SGA** is looking for new members. There are five positions for senator and one position for supreme court. Students interested in filling these positions should stop by Room 222 of the Student Union.

First Baptist Church

The **First Baptist Church** of Natchitoches will have a free lunch and Bible study every Sunday following their 11 a.m. service. The First Baptist Church of Natchitoches is located on 508 Second St.

Catholic Student Organization

The **CSO** will have a Theology study and faith sharing Sunday nights at 8:00 followed by the 9:30 Mass. Bible Study every Tuesday night at 8:00. Fellowship every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. followed by a free meal. Everyone is welcome. For more info contact Amy Dowden at 352-2615.

Baptist Collegiate Ministry

The **BCM** will have Wednesday night worship across the street from Watson Library every Wednesday night. The worship begins at 8:31 p.m. All students are welcome to attend. The BCM also has a $1 lunch ecounter on Thursdays from 11:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. For more information call the BCM at 352-5464.

Circle K International

Circle K International invites students to its meetings every Tuesday night at 8:30 p.m. in Room 320 of the Student Union. For more information call Jessica at 357-5974.

Fellowship Christian Athletes

FCA will be having its weekly fellowship every Tuesday night. The meetings are held in the athletic field house on the south end of Turpin Stadium at 8 p.m. There will be a devotional speaker each week. Everyone is welcome.

Spanish Club

The **Spanish Club** would like to invite potential members to its meetings every Wednesday at 3 p.m. in Room 331 of Kyser Hall.

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SGA passes club sports bill; looks to snag featured guest speaker

By Drew David
Sauce Reporter

The SGA passed a bill Monday requiring that club sports be responsible for at least 30 percent of their funds. The bill, #SP02-07, which was brought to a vote two weeks ago and failed, was re-introduced by SGA senator Scott Manguno.

"At first I thought the bill might be too specific and almost didn't propose it," Manguno said. "The political element of this legislation is to say that that you (club sports) are required to do some of your own fundraising. What this bill does is it puts those guidelines in writing."

Although opposition to this legislation was limited senator Beau Boudreaux felt the bill was too inflexible.

"I like the bill," Boudreaux said. "There was just one element I didn't like, but I knew it wouldn't change - the thirty percent (minimum requirement)."

"It's really too late now, but if it doesn't work I suppose it will show itself," Boudreaux responded when asked if he planned to propose a bill to counteract the newly passed legislation.

In other news, SGA senator Stacie Cosby introduced the idea of hosting an open forum with guest speaker Matthew Madden to conduct a free exchange of dialogue on the first amendment and free speech on campus.

"It's in the works right now and I've been corresponding with him (Madden) for a week now." Cosby said. " I thought that he would be a perfect candidate considering the whole issue with the SGA and the Current Sauce last semester."

Minutes 03-04-02

I. Call to Order- 7:04p.m.

The prayer was lead by Beau Boudreaux. The pledge was lead Stacy Cosby.

Roll Call

Present
Leslie Bean
Beau Boudreaux
Rusty Broussard
Buster Carlisle
Greg Comeaux
Stacie Cosby
Jana Freeman
Dustin Floyd
Keith Gates
Sarah Griffith
Tometrius Grier
Liz Hughes
Luke Hutchison
Jennifer Jensen
Linzie Ledford
Jeremy Malmay
Scott Manguno
Dustin Matthews
Mindy McConnell
Adam Pennell
Melissa Snelling
Adam Stoll
Cade Strong
Frank Toro
Torrey Washington

Absent
Leanna Anderson
Samantha Jo Foley
Patrick Peoples
Zack Pulliam
Jade Thibideaux
Travis Williams

II. Executive Reports
Treasurer- Frank Toro
Welcome. Look over the budget, see me if you have any questions. Scantrons were purchased with Student Union funds. Thank you Mr. Henry.
Vice President -Dustin Matthews
Thanks to Mr. Henry. Monday the 11th fillings open. Anyone who wants to run, please come see me this week. Adam Pennell walked in.
President - Rusty Broussard
Welcome. COSGA people can give back tonight what they got from it. Student Tech has bought an Optima for KNWD. Can't be installed yet, we are still working on that. Student Tech Advisory Team will meet either the 14th or the 15th. Members need to meet this week with him. Life Long Learning Center will have tutors. We still need more bills! Come see me or Dustin Floyd for ideas.
Sarah Griffith entered the room.
Cabinet meeting this Thursday, see me for time.

III. Departmental Reports
Academic Affairs- Stacie Cosby
We are working on a lecture for next semester. Hopefully scantrons will go through next week. There will be a Power Point presentation next week for "Pick a Prop". We will propose it to Student Tech. SGA can get good publicity for this. Leisure series will be put on in 4 week installments. We need help to put these up around campus. I'll let you know about dates and times.
External Affairs- Greg Comeaux
Department will be meeting Thursdays at 3:00. Radio Show will be from 9-12 on Tuesdays. April 4th from 10:30 - 2:00 has been finalized for Meet Your Senator Day. Advertising for fillings.
Fiscal Affairs- Frank Toro
There is a bill on the table to approve funds for Soccer. People grants need to see me.
Internal Affairs- Dustin Floyd
Samantha Foley is up for removal from the Senate. Patrick Peoples and Jade Thibideaux need to see Dustin Matthews. The Freshmen for next year look good and enthusiastic about joining the senate and contributing to SGA.
Student Affairs- Buster Carlisle
Stacie Cosby is writing a letter to the police officers so they quit writing two tickets at a time. Parking lots are being painted and striped. If you have any ideas on a forum, please see me.
SAB Report- Beau Boudreaux
$100 for Spring Fling. It is April 13th at 2:00. Dodd Hall chose Oceans 11 for the drive-in movie. It's going to be different, but fun.
Advisor's Report- Mr. Henry
Filings start next week, Sarah needs to recruit people to work the elections. There are renovations in the Union being made. We are making the back side look like the East side. We still need to work on a bill for the handicap space at the football games. Also one to beautify the main entrance to the Union.
Supreme Court Report- Supreme Court Justice
We are not being sued. Everything is great.

IV. Old Business
SP02-006 dealing with soccer funds up. Greg Comeaux moves to approve, Jennifer Jensen seconds. Motion passes by role call vote. 21-0-2.
Scott Manguno moves to renew Bill SP02-007 dealing with Club Sports. Greg Comeaux seconds, motion passes by general consent.
Greg Comeaux moves to approve SP02-007. Jana Freeman seconds. Motion passed by role call vote 21-2-0.

V. New Business
SP02-005 dealing with Scholars College will be up later.

VI. Announcements
More legislation needs to be written. Luke's POP class will be doing work, please help them if you are able. Only one more week before filings. If you're unsure, please see Dustin Floyd. There will be a $10 non- refundable registration fee.

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Shhhh! Watson Library is supposed to be a quiet place, not a party hall



Tiffany Trichell
Tiff's Take

The main complaint that I have heard from students around campus is that there is just too much noise in the campus library. Students go to the library under the assumption that they will be able to study without any distraction.

Once they are there, the complete opposite is discovered. There is entirely too much noise at Watson Library.

In an attempt to disprove these claims of uncontrollable noise, I decided to go to the library for one hour and try to read as much of a book as I possibly could. Thinking that it would be the quietest place, I began my experiment on the second floor.

In a matter of fifteen minutes, one couple decided to have a noisy conversation about one another, a group of young girls began to chat over the latest gossip, two people started up conversations on their cell phones, and one poor girl attempted to drown out the noise by reading aloud to herself. All this, just on the second floor!

The first and third floors were worse than the second, with the third floor containing a study group of twelve people who were studying everything but the material in front of them.

I could not last the entire hour in Watson Library without becoming so irritated with other people's conversations that I had to leave.

Students at this university are already under enough stress. The individuals who use the library can try to maintain a quiet atmosphere to study in. It is really disappointing to see college students who are not mature enough to respect another individual's need for silence.

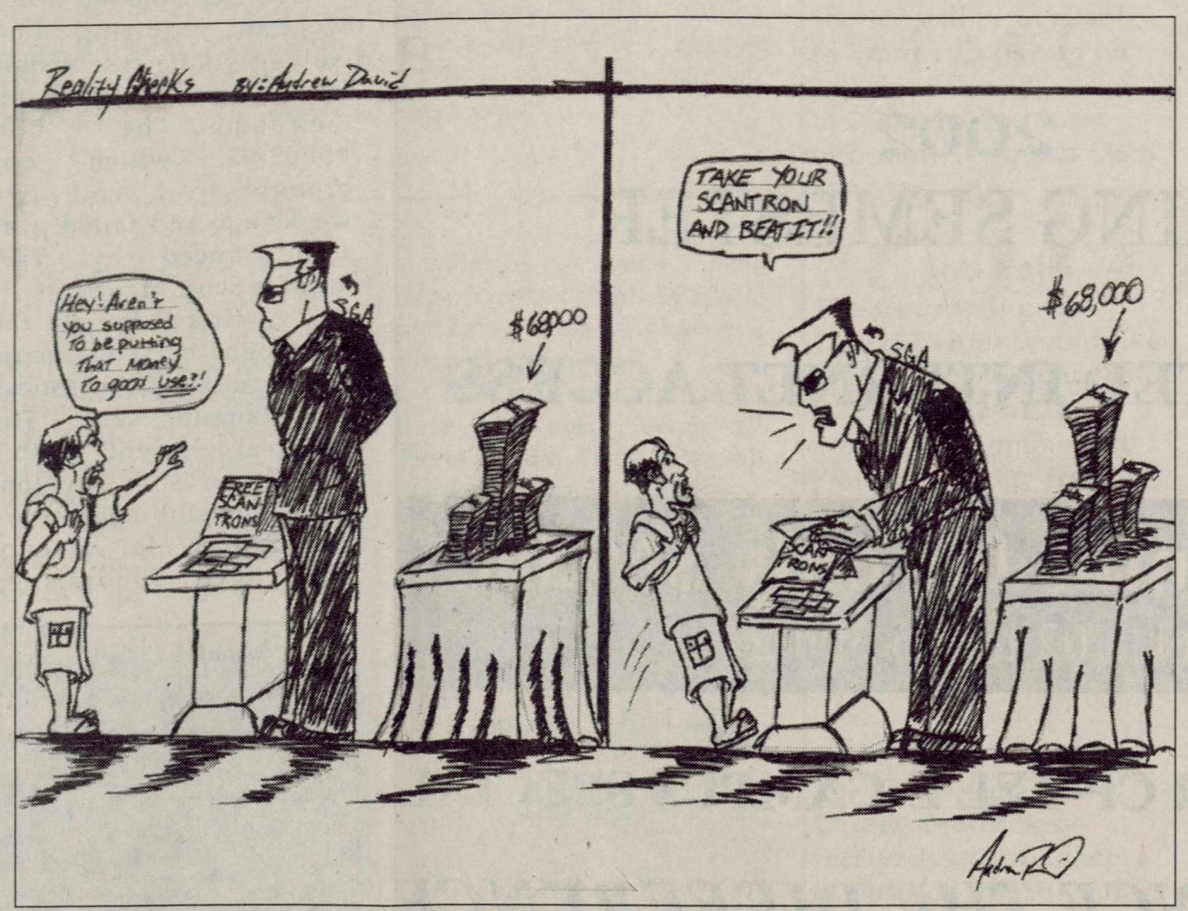
Perhaps the staff at Watson should police the floors like a prison, making sure that everyone is abiding by the simple rule of "Being Quiet." Maybe then students who are trying to study will be able to get the uninterrupted environment that they need.

Tiffany Trichell is a junior English major. Her column appears weekly in *The Current Sauce*.

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Letters to the Editor

Why can't African Americans 'all just get along?'

Brandy M. Ranel
Freshman

Time, Patience, Dedication and Respect is only the beginning of what it takes to become an effective leader.

Consistency, motivation, determination and loyalty must also be obtained on an individual level before one can become an effective leader.

As for the good, the bad and the ugly any and every leader should know that these types of situations come with all leadership positions, especially the president.

This is simply because the president should be the president not only because he is patient, dedicated and takes time, but because he is overly motivated, extremely dedicated and he/she makes time when there is none, respects each and every individual in their organization (even those who just take up space on the role because without followers there would be no leaders).

I mean how would an organization look if the only members were the officers. We must realize that some of us were meant to be spectators because without fans self-motivation can only go so far.

Let me ask you this question, If we are all the leaders of tomorrow then who's following us??? If everyone leads in their own direction then who knows which way we're going??? As far as UNITY amongst

African Americans or any other ethnicity goes I truly believe that we are all old enough and mature enough to be passed the naive state of mind in which we still cling to the elementary school phrase "Can't we all just get along."

Supreme Court right to uphold separation of church and state

Shane Erath
Freshman
Editor-in-chief, Argus

I think Rondray put it best when, in the "take" that he printed in last week's edition of the *Sauce*, he claimed to have "a story that will absolutely make your blood boil." Well, it certainly made mine boil, but for a very different reason.

His article addresses the Supreme Court's decision not to hear the case of Governor O'Bannon, who wished to display the Ten Commandments on Indiana State property, and how the issue could lead to "bad karma." Rondray bashes the "soulless Supreme Court justices" for standing up for the separation of church and state. At the risk of being burned at the stake, seeing as I'm deep in the heart of the Bible Belt, I'm inclined to send out a big "raise 'da roof, y'all" to those Supreme Court justices.

The fact is, the Supreme Court did not stand up for anything. Rondray claims that the Supreme Court is saying "good morals and religious values have no place in our schools and government." They say no such thing. Their job is to uphold and interpret the laws of our Constitution; one of those is that we have a separation of church and state. They just refused to listen to the argument because the laws are already in the books and they don't want to hear it anymore.

Anyway, as the flames around my feet get hotter and I reach the editorial's word limit, I'll just make the idle reminder to Rondray that our forefathers did not only want a country where "religion plays a part in our everyday lives," but also a country that is not run by said religion. The reason they left Europe is because of religion interfering with government and persecuting them because they did not adhere to the state's preferred religion.

But hey, they were just godless heathens like our Supreme Court, right?

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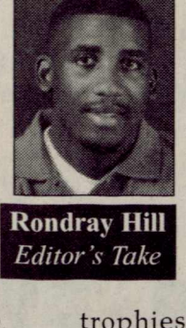
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Editor's*Take*

Women's basketball is spelled with three letters -- SFA



Rondray Hill
Editor's Take

When you talk about dominance in women's college basketball, forget Tennessee.

Forget about Louisiana Tech and don't even think about UCONN.

Texas Tech who? USC where?

Dominance in women's basketball can be summed up with three capital letters—SFA.

Consistency does not begin to describe the magnitude of dominance the SFA Ladyjacks have reigned over the Southland Conference. That dominance may be on display tonight and possibly Saturday as the Southland Conference women's basketball tournament heads into the semi-final round.

To look into what SFA has managed to do over the last decade and a half is beyond staggering. The Ladyjacks do not simply own the Southland Conference, they bought it with cash and charges rent to everyone else.

Superlatives abound when speaking of SFA. At the start of this season, the Ladyjacks played 822 games. Of that number, guess how many they lost.

In 30 years, this team has only lost 202 games! That averages to about seven losses per season in 30 years.

What's worse, this team just seems to turn it up a notch in March. 12 out of 19 Southland conference regular-season championship trophies collect dust in SFA's trophy case. 15 post-season championship tournaments have been played; the Ladyjacks own nets from 13 of them.

Many have tried to stop the SFA Express, and most have just been flattened on the tracks. In their 13 championship seasons, SFA has victimized NSU eight times, ULM four times and Southwest Texas once. Southwest Texas is the only team that can claim to have conquered the Ladyjacks, once, when they defeated SFA 77-65 in 1996, the only time SFA has lost in the finals.

It looks as if the streak will continue this year. The Ladyjacks haven't lost since a week before the semester started. They've beaten their opponents by an average margin of 20 points. They beat the Lady Demons by that much two weeks ago.

And it never seems stop. Last season, then-head coach Royce Chadwick left the school to take over the women's basketball program at Marshall. SFA replaced him with Lee Ann Riley, a coach that had as many collegiate coaching victories as I do.

You'd expect a team with a new head coach to struggle and have a losing season. Wrong. All SFA did this season was win 18 of 19 conference games and cruise to another conference championship.

They get home-court advantage throughout the tournament, and also have the easiest road to the finals. So what needs to be done to beat these girls?

Well, it will probably take a great performance by every member of the Lady Demon basketball team. Of course, an upset of SFA in some of the earlier rounds might help, too.

And I've heard that if an editor of a publication writes about how well a particular team or person performs, then that editor has jinxed the team he is writing about, thus making that team perform badly.

Hey, wait a minute...

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Daily Entertainment Ideas

Thursday

Last minute cram

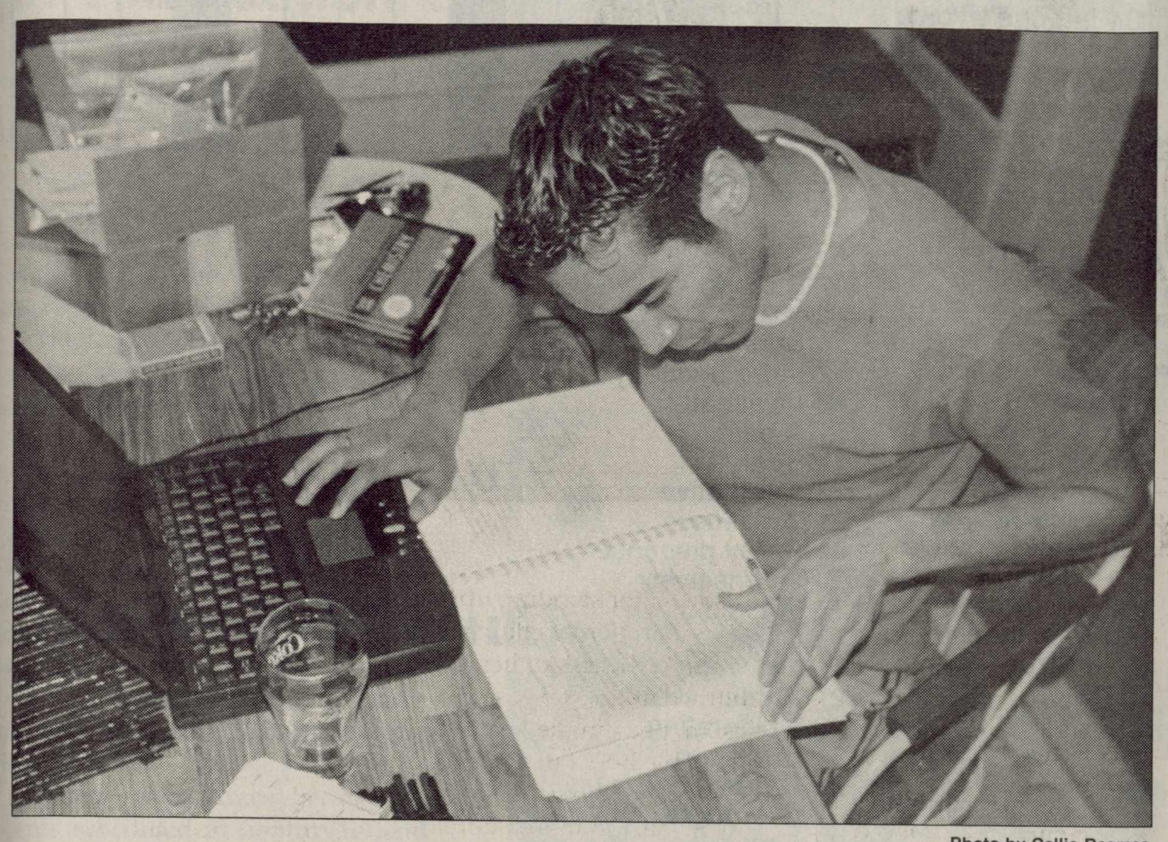


Photo by Callie Reames

Sophomore biology major Richard Lynch studies chemistry at his home.

By Callie Reames
Sauce Reporter

So today is Thursday. The week is passing by and tomorrow will mark the birth of something called the weekend--light at the end of the tunnel.

So today is still Thursday and you want to have some fun, or do you? Did you have so much fun already this week that you need to catch up on late homework and pre-test study sessions?

"I go to one of the clubs, but if I have a test the next day I don't go," Jibri Houston, a music performance major, explained.

The thought of staying home to do homework has crossed your mind because studying does have its benefits.

"I go to the pub or study. I do my homework for media writing and French and I read Emerson," Glenn Ward, a sophomore journalism major, said.

Richard Lynch, a sophomore biology major, sometimes likes to study with a group of people.

"You have more ideas, and it goes by faster," Lynch said. Studying with friends adds accountability to an activity that takes serious discipline.

A mellow evening spent with friends will fill time for some students tonight.

"You can always, like, go to The Pinnacle or The Body, but I don't really like doing that. I usually go to a friend's house and hang out. You know, like a house party or something like that," Darren Smith, a senior aviation major, said.

Going out to a club is a lot of fun, for those wanting some excitement.

"Partying comes to mind. Illuminations, The Pinnacle, The Body." Felton Beaner, a junior political science major, said.

Joshua Hayes, a music education freshman explained why he goes to Illuminations.

"I like to go there and represent my fraternity, Kappa Kappa Psi," Hayes explained.

Jennifer Styron and her roommates, Libby Palermo and Corey Devillier, like going to The Pinnacle on Thursday nights.

"A lot of people go. They have awesome lights and good music," Styron, a junior hospitality management and tourism major, said.

"I don't have classes on Friday," Palermo said. She likes to stay up really late on Thursday nights.

Some people don't study or go out.

"I check out Goodwill--see what they have," Melanie Davis, a sophomore music education major, said.

"I practice all night long. Thursday is practice day. Most people go out. I don't," Melanie Richey said. Richey is a freshman psychology major and plays trombone.

"I stay home, watch movies, whatever," Floyd Knighten said. The sophomore criminal justice major likes to stay at his house sometimes instead of going out.

"I watch 'Friends'," sophomore music education major Gregg Griffin said. "Joey's in love with Rachel."

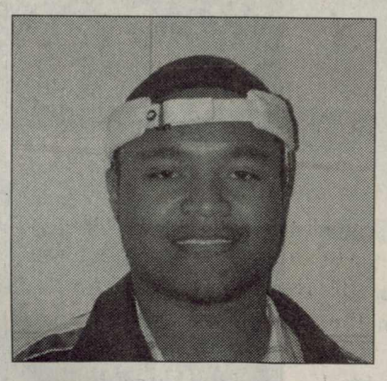
The night is yours NSU. Anything is possible.

NSU students participate in Catholic lenten traditions

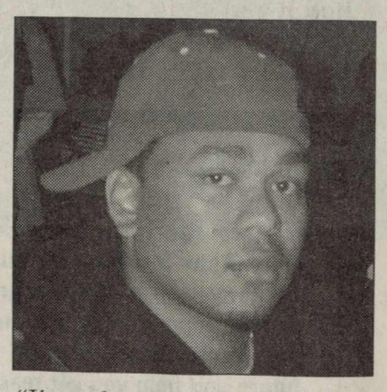
By Dominique Irvin
Sauce Reporter

Q: What are you giving up for lent this year?

A: ***Lent is a religious practice observed by Catholics around the world. It begins on Ash Wednesday, the day after Mardi Gras and lasts until Easter Sunday. Catholics choose to either sacrifice something or try to improve something about themselves. In honor of Lent, we here at The Current Sauce wanted to know what some of you were giving up.***



"I gave up junk food and I'm exercising more."
-Will Moses, *sophomore*



"I've decided to put aside everything that's distracting me from my long term goals...to succeed and get my education and be a successful black man."
- AJ Jones, *junior*



"For Lent I gave up eating starched foods because they are fattening."
-Danyelle Andrews, *junior*



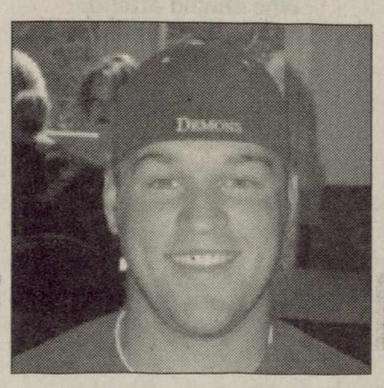
"I gave up cursing. It was against my mother's will...and I'm getting $100."
-Chico Honora, *junior*



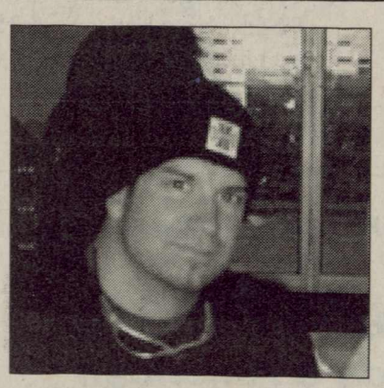
"I gave up cursing but it's not working very well. I try to give it up because I know it's not something my church believes in."
-Danna Graff, *junior*



"What I gave up for Lent is Coke and sweets because I eat those all the time."
-Lauren Richard, *junior*



"I gave up bad eating habits."
-Matt Bourque, *freshman*



"I gave up for Lent something that my girlfriend gave up for Lent. Everybody knows what it is, I just can't say because it's in the paper."
-Blake LeVasseur, *junior*



"I gave up Coke for Lent because it was a hard thing to give up."
-Marie Johnson



"I gave up going out during the week so I can study"
-Amy Reiser, *freshman* (left)

"I gave up spending unnecessary money."
-Travis Williams, *junior* (right)

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Web-based catalog to be installed in Watson library this summer

By Alisa Raggio
Sauce Writer

NSU's libraries will have a new web-based catalog available by this summer.

LOUIS systems administrator Martha Henderson said the new program, dubbed iLink, is being implemented because the old system was outdated and could not support further upgrading. She said NSU also wants to provide students with more advanced technology and better services.

The catalog will be accessible through the Internet using any web browser, allowing students living both on- and off-campus can use the system.

Henderson, who is also in charge of iLink, said that currently, someone off-campus wanting access to the catalog system from an off-campus location has to enter a password. But with iLink, students at home would not need to use a password.

Users will also be able to renew items and access information on due dates for materials and outstanding fines. When searching for materials, iLink users can limit their search criteria to one library in the university, such as the Shreveport Nursing Center or Leesville Campus, or to a particular media format.

Users can also use iLink to browse by call number range. The user can simply enter a call number and the program will show the entries of all the materials around that certain number. Henderson said this method is "just like looking at the shelf."

NSU students are excited about iLink's potential. Lakeithia Walker, a sophomore hospitality management major residing off campus, said, "I won't have to leave my house to go to the library to see if the book is there or not. That saves me a lot of gas."

On-campus students are also eager to use iLink. "I will be using it," Demarcus Smith, a junior business administration major living in Rapides dorm, said. "It is a timesaver. It's going to be easier."

Merrell said the new program will be "a new experience that will take some getting used to."

NSU's libraries are already planning programs at all the campuses to acquaint students, faculty, staff, and others to the system.

The programs will consist of training sessions, introductions to online help, one-stop access to additional university services, new technology exhibits and door prizes.

Mad for plaid; the newest trend in the fashion world this spring is the stripes

KRT News Service

You may not have been alive the first time the preppy look was big, but look out, because it's coming around again.

Crisp whites that would make a tennis player proud were all the rage on the runways during Fashion Week, and plaids and pastels are back with a vengeance.

Hate wearing a school uniform? Don't fret yet - your oxford shirt and plaid kilt could make you a regular fashionista.

Betcha didn't think makeup could be preppy, too.

Neither did we, till we spotted Maybelline's spring collection, Prep's Cool. The line draws its inspiration from the snappy button-downs, plaid kilts and shiny penny loafers that define the preppy look.

But it's not just the very feminine lilacs, pinks and peaches that caught our eye. It's the kitschy names attached to the collection's products: eye shadow duets in colors like Kilts & Oxfords, and Sweater Set; eyeliner in Peach Daiquiri and Grape Soda. It's almost as much fun to read the labels as it is to try on the colors.

The spring collection features all of Maybelline's top products in new colors, plus a few new things you won't want to miss, like Cool Effect Blush and Wet Shine nail color. Look for Prep's Cool in March at drugstores, supermarkets and mass retailers.

Fab Fitness: A book that is packed with realistic fitness strategies

KRT News Service

Sure, Julia Roberts and Cindy Crawford have no problem shelling out the cash to hire a personal trainer.

And when celebs like Julia and Cindy (and Drew Barrymore and Michelle Pfeiffer) need someone to push them to work out, they call Kathy Kaehler, trainer to the stars.

We'll let you in on a little secret: Now you can work out with Kaehler too.

But it won't cost you an entire year's worth of babysitting money.

Kaehler's published a book called "Teenage Fitness" (HarperCollins), so for 25 bucks, you can get the same advice as Drew and Michelle. Good deal, huh?

Kaehler knows what she's talking about when it comes to the way teens see their bodies.

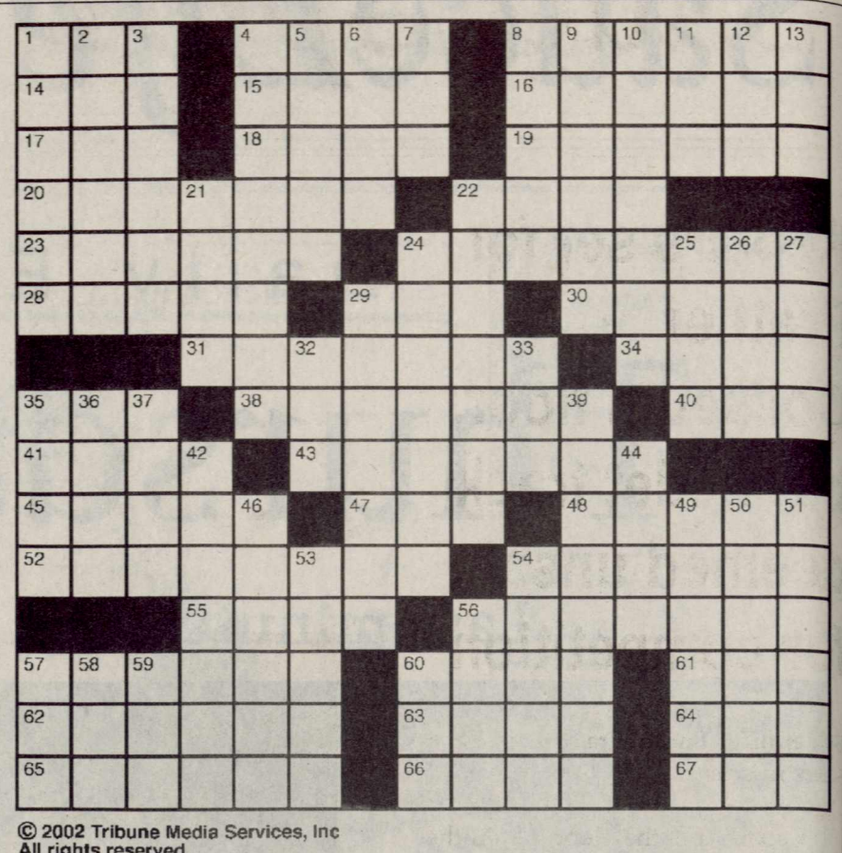
She struggled with bulimia and reliance on diet pills before she discovered a healthy approach to eating and exercise.

Her spiral-bound book is packed with info on how to change your eating habits (replace soda with water or skim milk), add exercise to your day (walk the dog, wash the windows), and fit in a five-minute workout before you even change out of your PJs.

The best thing about "Teenage Fitness" is that it's realistic _ Kaehler knows you need fitness strategies that will fit into a day packed with a billion other things.

This book's a $25 investment you'll be very glad you made.

Sauce *Words*



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Repairs set for Prather Coliseum floor, but Ledet track deemed unsafe for competition

By Jennifer Bocanegra
Sauce reporter

Repairs on the floor of Prather Coliseum have been scheduled to begin this month, and the track team has declared the outdoor track unserviceable.

The coliseum's floor began to buckle after suffering extensive damage from heavy rain and wind last fall. NSU's basketball teams spent their season playing on a portable floor borrowed from the CenturyTel Center in Bossier City.

Charles Bourg, Director of Athletic Services, said a 10-man crew spent three hours to lay the floor down and an additional three hours to take it back up, without including the time spent setting up the goals and wiring the shot clock.

"There were times because of events scheduled at CenturyTel and events scheduled here where we've had to move it (the portable floor)," Bourg said. "All of January we had to move it four times in five days."

Donnie Cox, Associate Athletic Director, said the cost for a new basketball court depends on the type of court the university chooses. If the university decides to purchase a new *portable* basketball court, Cox said the total cost for the repair work and new floor will run about $345,000. He said insurance is expected to pay at least 75 percent of the cost.

NSU's outdoor track has also suffered from weather damage and extensive use, forcing the team to compete away from their home track. The asphalt base on the outdoor track has deteriorated so badly that it has caused the rubber surface to crack and bubble in places.

Leon Johnson, head coach for the men's track team, said the track is dangerous to run on and that for health and safety reasons, the team cancelled all of their home meets for this season.

"For the last couple of years it has been deteriorating rapidly and just this fall it got real bad, so we made a decision about a few weeks ago," Johnson said.

Johnson said proper repairs to the track would cost approximately $1.3 million.

"A Band-Aid repair job will run about $400,00 to $500,000," Johnson said.

Bourg said the university has already agreed to pay for the coliseum repairs. Funds have not been approved, however, for fixing the track. Bourg said NSU would request money for the track through the Louisiana state legislature, which convenes in June.

"The track repairs have to go in the back burner because there are no funds for it at this time," Cox said.

The Louisiana Education Systems State Board already rejected funding for the track repairs even though several other state and local schools also use the track for their meets. Cox said he thinks insurance will cover only part of the cost, and if NSU would agree to pay for half of the work, the state might consider helping with funds for the repairs.

Bourg said the coliseum will have a new floor in time for graduation on May 10, and the outdoor track work is pending the state legislature's decision.

March Madness

Eleven teams start the season. In the end, only one will be the champion.
The ones that survive are known...

...the real final four



Photo by Gary Hardamon

LaTerrica Dobin, the nation's leader in assists, will start the drive for the NCAA tournament tonight along with the rest of the Lady Demons against UTA

Thanks to SLU upset, Lady Demons battle UTA

By Rondray Hill
Editor

UTSA is going to the Women's Final Four this year.

Okay, so their hosting it. Does that count?

The first round of the Southland conference tournament sent UTSA packing their bags and heading home, the result of a 66-63 loss to Southeastern Louisiana. That means UTA, not UTSA, will travel to Prather to face the Lady Demons tonight.

Head coach James Smith said he doesn't care which UT he and his Lady Demons face.

"We didn't prepare for UTSA," Smith said. "We were preparing for whoever won the first game. UTA probably has the best inside game in the conference. I don't know if we can stop them, but we'll try to slow them down."

Slowing down UTA will be almost as tough as performing open-heart surgery while wearing a catcher's mitt. UTA has already defeated the Lady Demons once this season and nearly won again late this season.

"They've got girls on the inside who get 10 rebounds a game," said point guard LaTerrica Dobin. "Our post players are going to have to step up and our guards are going to have to help them out."

UTA played its first-ever post season game last Monday versus Southwest texas. UTA won its first ever post season game thanks to the 18 points scored by both Rola Ogunoye and Krystal Buchanan.

Add to that total the eight rebouds grabbed by Sheena Johnson, and you can see why tonight's game should come down to the wire as it did two weeks ago.

The winner of tonight's game will face the winner of the SLU/Stephen F. Austin game.

"We know we have a big task," said guard Anna Means. "We have so much talent, it's just a matter of us wining tonight and Saturday."

UTSA loss ends Demons' regular season, playoff hopes

By Janie Warren
Sauce reporter

A determined Louisiana-Monroe successfully beat the NSU basketball team 96-83, on Saturday, ending the Demon's season and chances of defending their Southland conference tournament championship.

After trailing the Demons for the majority of the game, the Indians scored 12 uanswered points in the final minute of the game. Senior forward Chris Lynch said that although the Demons lost, they played their best basketball against Louisiana-Monroe and really did work together.

"If we had played all of our games that well, we probably could have made it to the tournament," Lynch said.

Southwest Texas grabbed the playoff spot that would have belonged to NSU in the Southland Conference had SWT not beat Texas –San Antonio. NSU finished the season 13-18 overall and 9-11 in the

Sauce Stats

Men's Basketball

Southland Conference tournament: First round

UTSA (3)	99
SWT (6)	83

Top scorers: Devin Brown (UTSA) 29
Clay Click (SWT), 14

Lamar(4)	**53**
SFA(5)	46

Top Scorers: Stevin Ozier (SFA), 17
Ron Austin (LMR), 14

Southland Conference tournament: Second round

McNeese State (1)	**71**
Lamar(4)	57

Top scorers: Ron Austin (LMR), 17
Raynell Brewer (MCN), 12

ULM (2)	**64**
UTSA (3)	62

Notes: Myrda (ULM), blocked two potentially game tying shots in final four seconds of play.

Southland Conference tournament: Championship

McNeese State (1) vs. ULM
March 9, 11:00 A.M.
Ewing Coliseum

Nationally televised game on ESPN2.

Notes: ULM going for first NCAA bid since 1996. McNeese last received NCAA bid in 1998.

Men's All-Conference Team

First Team

McEverett Powers	Forward	UTSA
Brian Lubeck	Forward	ULM
Devin Brown	Guard	UTSA
Fred Gentry	Forward	MCN
Wojciech Myrda	Center	ULM

Second Team

Steven Barber	Guard	UTA
Damany Hendrix	Forward	LMR
Jason Coleman	Guard	MCN
Donald Cole	Center	SHSU
Michael Byars-Dawson		**NSU**

Third Team

Amir Abdur-Rahim	Guard	SELU
Percy Green	Forward	SFA
Clay Click	Guard	SWT
Chauncy Bryant	Guard	MCN
Damond Williams	Forward	MCN

Honorable Mention

Lewis Arline	Lamar
Ron Austin	Lamar
Raynell Brewer	MCN
D'or Fischer	**NSU**
Kirby Lemons	ULM
David Sykes	SWT
Ransom White	SFA

Player of the Year
McEverett Powers-- UTSA

Newcomer of the Year
Donald Cole-- SHSU

Freshman of the Year
Stephen Ozier-- SFA

Coach of the Year
Tic Price-- MCN

Softball

NSU 6, Centenary 0
3/6/02

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Pitchers
NSU-- Amanda Ortego, Crista Miller (6) and Krystle Nichols.

CNY-- Cheyenne Daries, Sherilyn Bossier (6) and Lory Kowalewski

W-Ortego (6-6). L-Daries (4-5).

NSU 8, Centenary 0
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W-Rasberry (5-3). L-Bossier (1-8)

Baseball takes care of Pilots 13-1

Senior first baseman Brad Hanson batted 3-for-3 and LSU-Shreveport committed four errors as the Northwestern State Demon baseball team defeated LSUS, 13-1 Wednesday night in Shreveport.

Junior Casey Johnson pitched four scoreless innings for the win as the Demons (10-2) scored 13 runs over the next final six innings in the win.

The win was the eighth straight for Northwestern before they head into the Centenary Gents Tournament this weekend.

Johnson struck out five in four innings work for the Demons. Shreveport native and former Captain Shreve catcher Chris Prothro picked up his first collegiate hit for NSU, a single in the seventh inning.

Ortego, Miller, Raspberry record 23 K's as Demon softball sweeps pair from Centenary 6-0, 8-0

Northwestern State pitchers Amanda Ortego, Crista Miller and Loni Rasberry combined to strike out 23 and limit Centenary to two hits, one in each game, Wednesday night as the visiting Demons swept a college softball doubleheader 6-0 and 8-0.

NSU (17-14) outhit Centenary 20-2, with senior first baseman Erin Mancuso lining three doubles among her team-best four hits, two in each game. Senior centerfielder Annie Johnston had three hits, including a triple, and stole four bases to run her season total to 28 steals in 32 attempts.

Nicole Martin also had three hits for Northwestern. The Demons used a five-run sixth inning to break open a one-run game in the opener before posting three first-inning runs and cruising in the nightcap.

Centenary (9-20-1) got a third-inning infield single from Amanda LeBlanc in the opener off Ortego (6-6), who struck out 12 in five innings before giving way to Miller, who added three strikeouts in the final two innings.

The Ladies got a single to center by Janis Kelley in the fifth inning of the second game to spoil a combined no-hit bid by Miller and Loni Rasberry (5-3), who pitched the final three innings of the six-inning contest and struck out five on the heels of four Ks posted by Miller in the first three frames.

"It was a nice night by our pitching staff. Getting 23 strikeouts in 13 innings is just delightful," said Demon head coach Ty Singleton. "I am pleased that everyone was ready to go get it done in this style.

Demons at ULM

From page 1

conference.

Demon head coach Mike McConathy is very pleased with his team and its hard work this season.

"I hope our young men realize how they have helped advance our program," McConathy said. "I'm just very proud of the efforts our team gave."

McConathy is also proud of their season's accomplishments.

"Even though we didn't go all the way, coach McConathy feels that we've done a lot of things that stand out," Lynch said. "We've played on a national level in the NCAA tournament, played on national television, and we've played in Hawaii and Vegas, so hopefully we're paving the way for the future players since so many of us (players) are graduating."

The Demons lose seven seniors this year. Guard Kory Wilson, guard Ryan Duplessis, guard Alann Polk, forward Chris Lynch, guard Michael Byers-Dawson, forward Jerrold McRae, and center Melvin Roberts all expect to graduate this spring.

National Sports

NCAA tournament teams will play closer to home this year

By Jeff Potrykus
Knight-Ridder

By now you've probably run off hundreds of copies of the NCAA Division I men's basketball tournament bracket and distributed them to friends and foes for the annual pool.

But before you sit down to watch the 65-team field revealed on Sunday, remember that NCAA officials decided last year to throw a curveball at you, beginning this season.

After the committee assigns the top four teams in each region, it will send those teams to eight first- and second-round sites with an emphasis on placing them as close to home as possible.

The teams will be placed in groups of four, or "pods." Nos. 1, 16, 8 and 9 will form one pod; Nos. 4, 13, 5 and 2 another; Nos. 2, 15, 7 and 10 another; and Nos. 3, 14, 6 and 11 a fourth.

However, unlike past seasons, the two pods at a first- and second-round site could send teams to different regionals.

In past seasons, all teams assigned to a particular region played at one of two sub-regional sites and advanced to the same regional.

NCAA officials were criticized after forcing too many teams to travel all across the nation last season. The most glaring example involved Maryland, George Mason, Georgetown and Hampton, essentially next-door neighbors in the East. They were placed in the West Regional and were shipped to Boise, Idaho, for the first and second rounds.

"The committee will continue to have to move some teams out of their region," Mike Tranghese, chairman of the basketball committee, said at the time the NCAA announced the changes. "But this year, for example, if we could have assigned Maryland, Georgetown, George Mason and Hampton to first- and second-round sites in the eastern part of the country, we would have significantly reduced the amount of travel we required of those student-athletes, coaches and fans."



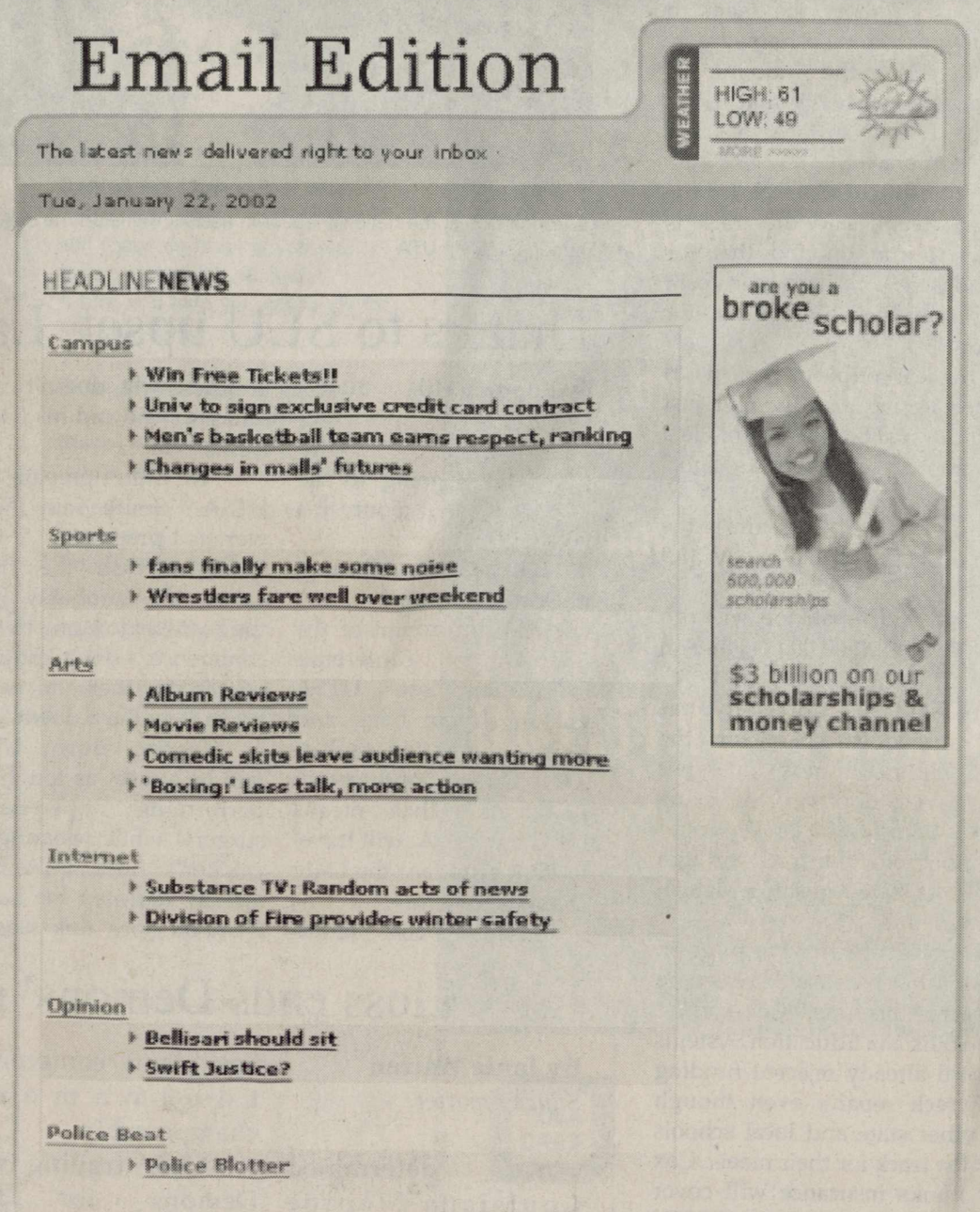
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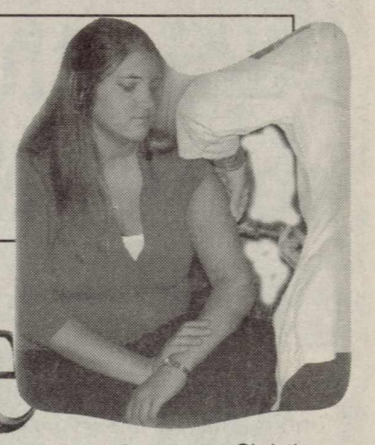
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California

University of California system may do away with SAT test

If the University of California replaces the SAT I with a test based on state curriculum standards, it would not only be more fair, it would help improve high school education throughout California, University of California president Richard Atkinson said Tuesday.

This argument emerged as a major part of his strategy to convince University of California regents to dump the SAT I as an admissions requirement.

"We're playing with the reputation of the institution," regent Ward Connerly said. "The University of California is one of the best universities in the world. It does beg the question: `Why are we doing this?' "

Texas Week

150,000 people expected to flock to Texas Beach Week

The tide is high, and the groove is on.

This relaxed little island just off the coast of South Texas launched into the busiest week of spring break Saturday, with masses of college kids braving chilly weather to have, as one local lawyer put it, "a raucous good time."

They call it "Texas week" because most of the state's major universities are on break, and it brings a tsunami of change to the island as an estimated 150,000 visitors arrive with one mission: To play.

"Everybody comes down to see and be seen, to have a good time," said Marinda Reynolds, 21, a junior at the University of Rhode Island.

The population grows to 15 times its usual size. An estimated $200 million pours into the economy. About 500 people will spend a few hours in jail.

Texas A&M

Personalized tribute planned for victims of Bonfire tragedy

Texas A&M officials selected a bonfire memorial design that will include personalized tributes to each of the 12 Aggies who died in the November 1999 accident, but it is unclear when the monument will actually be built.

The memorial, which will consist of a large circle with a dozen arched portals placed on its perimeter, will be erected on the spot where the bonfire collapsed on Nov. 18, 1999, killing 12 and injuring 27. It will be constructed of concrete, bronze and granite-type stones.

"The bonfire victims families were concerned about whether the memorial would include something reflective

Natchitoches residents upset

City council proclaims April "Confederate History Month"

By Callie Reames
Sauce Reporter

The designation of April as Confederate History Month in Natchitoches upset many attendees at Monday's city council meeting.

A throng of unhappy people left the meeting immediately after a 4-1 council vote officially proclaimed April Confederate History Month in Natchitoches.

Courtney Hornsby, public relations coordinator for the city, said April has been designated as Confederate History Month for at least the last five or six years.

Those voting in favor of the proclamation were councilmen Billy Evans, Lee Posey, Don Mims, Jr., Jack McCain, and Mayor Wayne McCullen. Councilwoman Sylvia Morrow voted against the annual proclamation.

NSU's Vice President of University Affairs John Winston attended the meeting and said that although some may argue a parallel exists between Black History Month and Confederate History Month, the two are not viewed in the same way. Winston said the story of Confederate history has always been told, unlike black history.

"It is told to its fullest," Winston said about confederate history. He felt that black history was not as well known as the Confederate side of American history.

"There is no comparison," Winston said.

Morrow said the council should vote for the improvement of their constituencies, noting that Natchitoches' population is 53.7 percent black.

"It's a new day. It's a new millennium. We need to be about progress," Morrow said.

Many members of the public in attendance voiced their opinions before the council voted on the proclamation.

Vincent Cosield, president of the Voters and Civic League, said, "When you vote on an error as a point in history to be glamorized, it is a mistake."

Natchitoches resident William Hymes brought two people to their feet when he said, "I don't see the Jews letting the Germans come into their community and celebrate the Holocaust."

Most of the opinions voiced were against acknowledging Confederate History Month, but a proponent of the resolution was councilman Billy Evans, who along with Morrow is one of two blacks on the council.

Evans spoke of the awkward position he found himself in.

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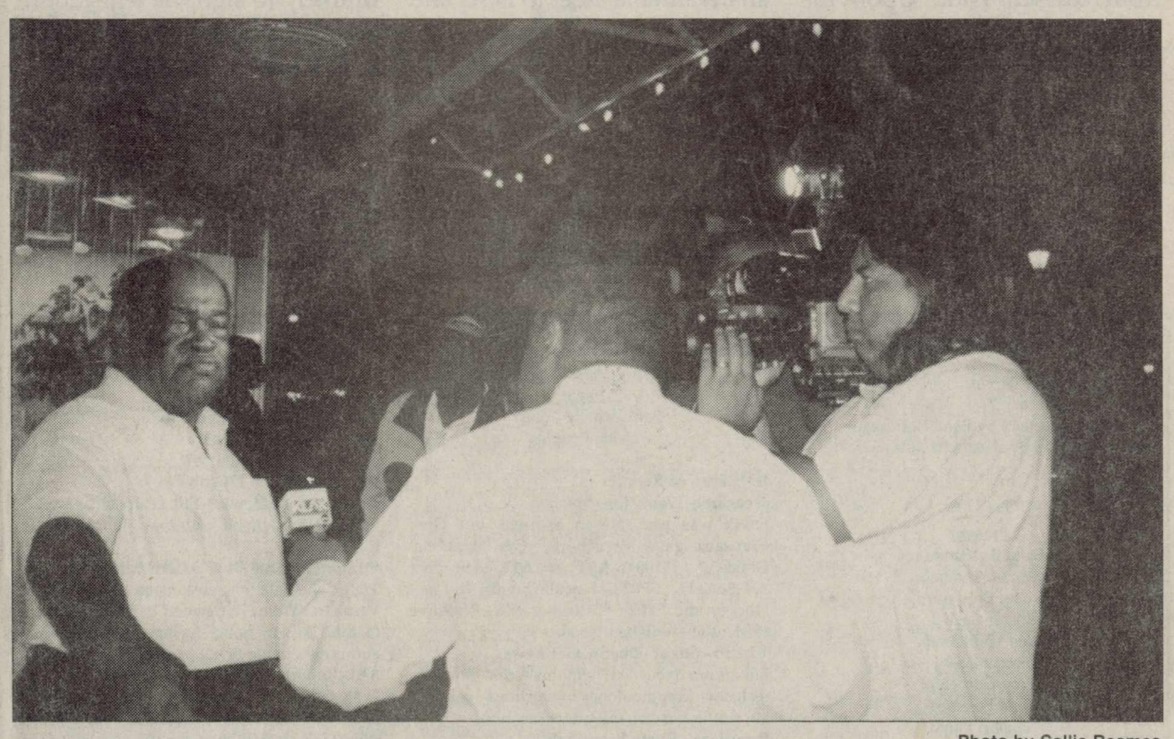
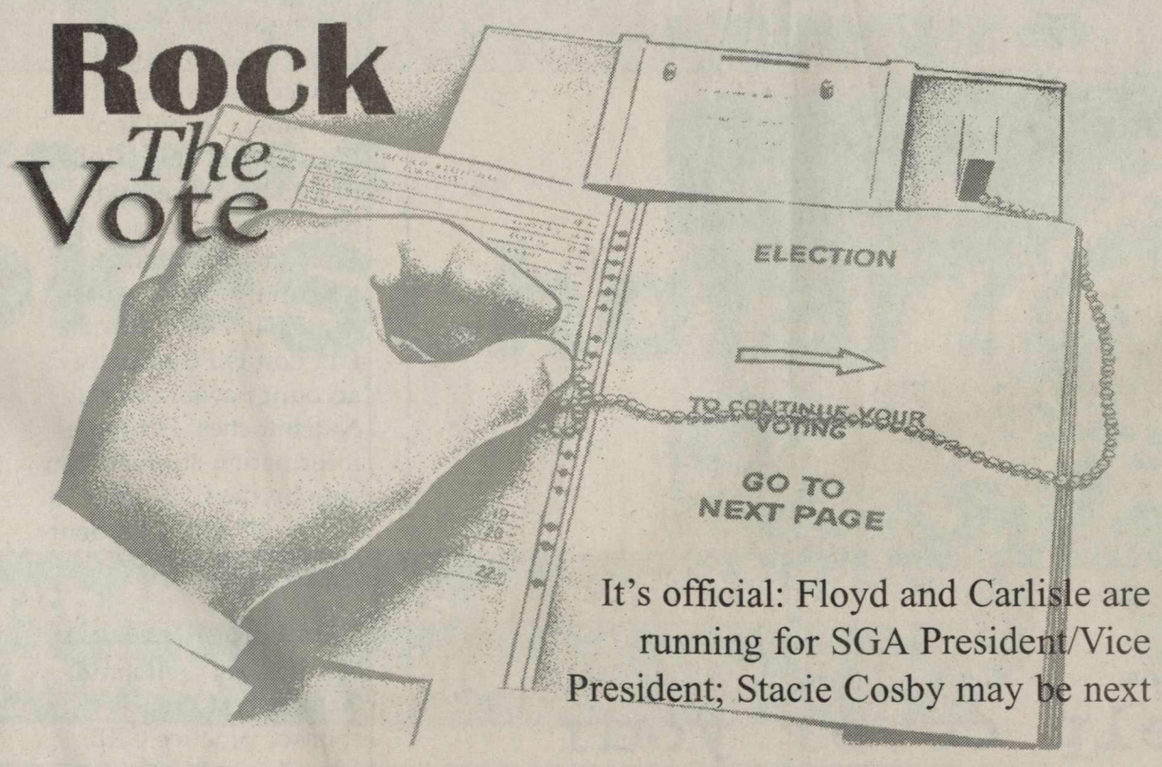


Photo by Callie Reames
Angry Natchitoches resident Robert Jackson shares his feelings about Natchitoches' Confederate History Month to a KLAX news crew. Jackson was one of many Natchitoches residents there who opposed the proclamation.



It's official: Floyd and Carlisle are running for SGA President/Vice President; Stacie Cosby may be next

Filing for positions began Monday, end tomorrow

By Garrett Guillotte
Copy Editor

With less than two days before candidate filing closes, only one presidential ticket has presented the paperwork for the April 10 and 11 Student Government Association elections.

SGA Speaker of the Senate Dustin Floyd turned in his intent-to-run form for President on Monday, with senator Buster Carlisle filing as Floyd's running mate.

Senator Zack Pulliam said senator Stacie Cosby has also expressed interest in running for SGA President.

However, Pulliam said, "I don't know if she's running or not."

Cosby declined to confirm or deny any interest in running.

Current SGA President Rusty Broussard and Vice-President Dustin Matthews have not shown any interest in running for any other elected student government positions.

If no other eligible candidates file an intent-to-run form, a platform statement and $10 filing fee by 4:30 p.m. Friday, Floyd and Carlisle will win their intended positions without an election.

The SGA constitution identifies an eligible candidate as a student that has completed 45 course hours and is serving their second consecutive semester in an elected SGA office.

Other student government positions still open for filing are Student Activities Board representative, treasurer and senator-at-large. Candidates that have filed to run for SAB representative are Lauren Atterbery, Ashley Dunham, and Lauren Stokes. Eligible senator-at-large candidates are Liz Webb, Mindy McConnell, Greg Comeaux, Justin Gates, and Melissa Snelling.

Confirmed filings for treasurer were unavailable at press time.

Election Day 2002

Candidate filing ends:
Friday at 4:30 p.m.

Elections begin on:
April 10
and end on
April 11

Greatest SROW on Earth starts at NSU tomorrow

The 27th annual Southern Regional Orientation Workshop will be held at Northwestern State University March 15-17. Approximately 1,200 students along with student affairs personnel representing more than 60 colleges and universities from 10 states will attend the conference.

The Southern Region includes nine states and is one of nine regions making up the National Orientation Directors Association (NODA), The organization provides services to new student programs in institutions of higher education. Professional administrators, students, faculty and related organizations form the group's membership.

Colleges and universities from Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee and Indiana are registered for the workshop.

"It is an honor for Northwestern to host this event. This is a great learning opportunity for our students who have been involved in every step of the planning," said NSU Director of New Student Programs Reatha Cox.

"Our students have come up with the theme of the workshop and a number of other ideas. They have gotten experience which will help them as professionals."

Louisiana School presents 'Evening of Dance'

By Shonna Parker
Staff Reporter

The Louisiana School for Math, Science and the Arts, along with the Impulse Dance Theatre, will present the school's annual spring dance concert at 7:30 in the A. A. Fredericks Fine Arts Auditorium.

General admission is $4. Admission for senior citizens and students is $2. NSU and Louisiana School students with a valid school I.D. will be admitted free.

The recital will feature original works by Randy Allen. Sharon Williams, coordinator of student activities, said there will be six different performances that will exhibit many different dance styles and types of music.

The introductory piece is titled "Suffido," followed by a tribute to recently-deceased blues singer John Lee Hooker called "One More Time." Reflections on the Sept. 11 attack on America will be performed in "Dark Journey into Light."

After an intermission a tango called "Regress Al Amor" will feature two female dancers and one male dancer.

There will be also a performance choreographed to Mozart's "A Light Opera."

Pack the bags: SGA passes bill, helps Scholars' College relocate

By Andrew David
Sauce Reporter

The SGA passed a bill Monday that will serve as a legislative request on behalf of the SGA to insure the return of Morrison Hall to the Louisiana Scholars' College upon its completed renovation.

The Scholars' College, which was instituted at NSU in 1987, began its history located in Russell Hall. Due to renovations occurring in Russell Hall, the Scholars' College was moved to Morrison Hall for what was to be a temporary estrangement from Russell Hall. Upon the completion of the Russell Hall renovations in 1996, Russell Hall was given to the College of Business due to its larger enrollment numbers. Since then, the Scholars' College has been shuffled from Morrison to Kyser Hall, and now resides in South Hall. Since then the administration's plan was to return Morrison Hall to the Scholars' College.

This agreement did not possess enough legitimacy for senators Greg Comeaux and Jana Freeman, who collaborated on the writing of the bill, or for the senator who proposed the legislation, Stacie Cosby.

"I'd been prepping an idea like this myself for a while and I completely agreed with everything Greg and Jana had to say," Cosby, who is currently enrolled in Scholars' College, said. "The Scholar's College is an invaluable asset to NSU and deserves better treatment. This bill just states that the SGA is in full support of giving Morrison Hall back to the students it was renovated for."

Even though the bill was passed by a large majority, SGA senators Buster Carlisle and Luke Hutchison were skeptical of its relevance and importance as a piece of legislation.

"I voted for it, but I was not it total favor of it," Hutchison said. "The plan has always been for Morrison Hall to be returned to the Scholars' College, so there was no need (for the SGA) to put it in writing."

"There also might be a logical reason not to return Morrison Hall and we should be able to explore those reasons." Hutchison said.

Carlisle said that the administration would be unlikely to sign the legislation,

"I don't even think Webb (University president Randall Webb of NSU) will sign it," Carlisle said.

Although the SGA is debating the issue, the final destination for the Scholars' College seems certain to the administration, according to vice president of university affairs, John Winston.

"The plan has always been to return everything to its original location upon the completion of renovations, meaning that the Scholar's College will return to Morrison Hall once the renovations are finished," Winston said.

Scholars' College Dean Margaret Cochran was also confident that Morrison Hall would be returned to the Scholars' College, "The plans are for the Scholars' College to end up back in Morrison," Cochran said. "Morrison Hall is a really good fit for us. There were a lot of hard feelings in the past about the move from Russell Hall, but if you look at the enrollment numbers Russell is a better fit for the College of Business and Morrison Hall is a better fit for the Scholars' College."

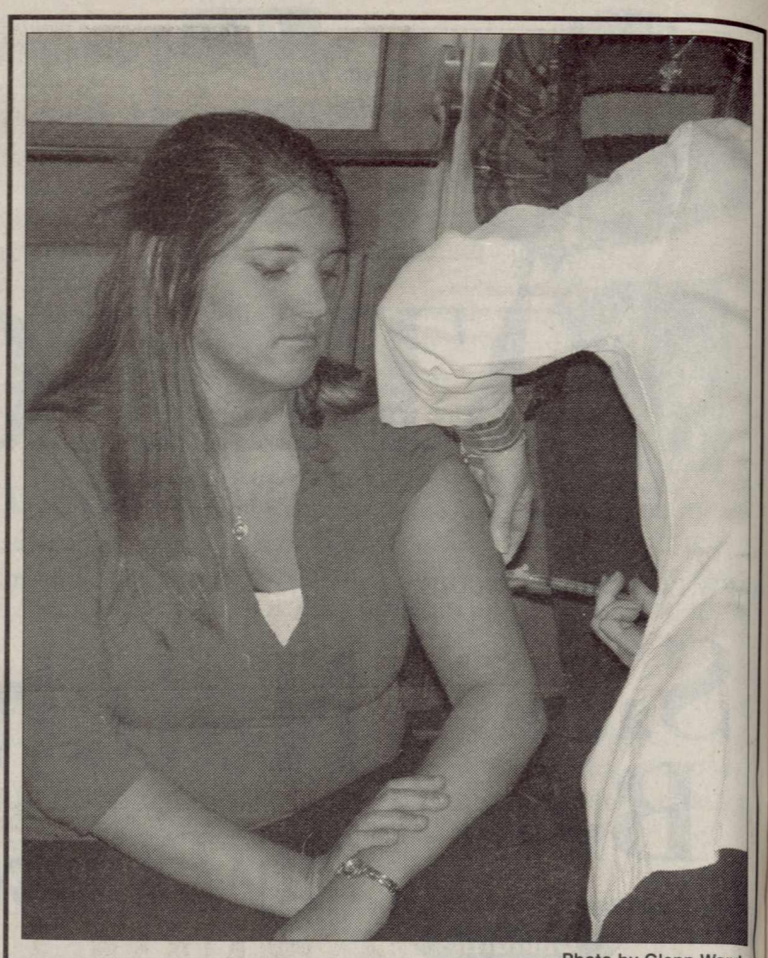


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Fighting Meningitis

NSU nursing major Christina Fogal stops in the front lobby of Kyser Hall for vaccination against meningitis. The vaccination was $85. Fogal took the vaccination so she "would not die, and to be safe." Fogal was a little skeptical about the price.

"It's a little high, but in turn it may save your life," she said.

Minutes 03-11-02

I. Call to Order- 7:04p.m.

The prayer was lead by Beau Boudreaux. The pledge was lead by Dustin Matthews.

Roll Call

Present
Beau Boudreaux
Leanna Anderson
Rusty Broussard
Buster Carlisle
Jade Thibideaux
Stacie Cosby
Greg Comeaux
Jana Freeman
Dustin Floyd
Keith Gates
Sarah Griffith
Tometrius Grier
Liz Hughes
Luke Hutchison
Jennifer Jensen
Linzie Ledford
Scott Manguno
Dustin Matthews
Mindy McConnell
Zack Pulliam
Melissa Snelling
Adam Stoll
Cade Strong
Travis Williams
Torrey Washington

Absent
Samantha Jo Foley
Patrick Peoples

II. Executive Reports
Treasurer- Frank Toro
Frank was not able to be here, but Greg Comeaux gave his report. Organizational Grants gave $100 to AAC, and $150 to Student Art Society. SP02-014 dealing with In-Line-Hockey and SP02-011 dealing with Part-time student fees will be up soon.
Vice President -Dustin Matthews
Filings are open. Do them this week. I have to resign as Commissioner of elections because I am running for an executive position.
President - Rusty Broussard
Welcome back. Executives need to be reminded of the breakfast evaluation for Dr. Webb this Wednesday at 7:30 am. Letter heads have been ordered. We still need more legislation. STAT meeting next Monday.

III. Departmental Reports
Academic Affairs- Stacie Cosby
Discussed "Pick a Prof". It is moving along well. Legislation for it is up next week. External needs publicity for that on Saturday. Please be there.
External Affairs- Greg Comeaux
Radio Show will be from 9-12 on Tuesdays. We are working to promote what Stacy is working on.
Sarah Griffith entered the room.
Fiscal Affairs- Frank Toro
Same as Treasurers report.
Internal Affairs- Dustin Floyd
Separation of Powers Bill is up next week. Familiarize yourself with that. Filings are all this week.
Student Affairs- Buster Carlisle
Traffic and Safety is working on the lighting at Varnado. We have decided to give the letters to the Chief of police to hand to the officers about the double ticket problem.
SAB Report- Beau Boudreaux
Easter egg Hunt from 5-7pm on Tues. March 19th . It is for the non-traditional students and their kids. It will be at the IM. If you live in Bossier, there is a BBQ at the ROTC field coming up. The next Coffee House will be on the 18th.
Advisor's Report- Mr. Henry
When you file, you need to have your $10 with you. More renovations are being made, we are converting the ceilings into a grid system. Hopefully the roof will be next.
Supreme Court Report- Supreme Court Justice
Everything is great.

IV. Old Business
SP02-005 dealing with Louisiana Scholars College on the floor. Stacy Cosby moves to approve, Greg Comeaux seconds. Motion passes by role call vote. 21-2-0.

V. New Business
Dustin Floyd moves to appoint Sarah Griffith to Commissioner of Elections. Dustin Mathews seconds. Motion passes by acclimation. Beaux Boudreaux moves to appoint Justin Owen to Vice Chairman of elections board. Torrey Washington seconds. Motion passes by acclimation. Dustin Mathews moves to appoint Katie Bitter to the Elections board. Greg Comeaux seconds. Motion passes by acclimation.

VI. Annoucncements
More legislation needs to be written. Luke's POP class will be doing work, please help them if you are able. Only one week for filings instead of two. If you are unsure, please see Dustin Floyd. There will be a $10 non-refundable registration fee. 4:30 pm on Friday is the deadline to file. Do not miss this. In regards to the web page profile, please just give Greg your e-mail addresses.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 pm.



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Job Opportunities

The **Counseling and Career Center** has received correspondence of position openings from these businesses: Wells Fargo Financial, credit manager, Covington, La.; State Department of Social Services, social services specialist, Vermillion Parish OCS; NSU, College of Education, secretary; NSU, Financial Aid, accounting specialist; Marriott, many positions available, New Orleans, La.; Lott Oil Company, account payable clerk, Natchitoches. For more information students can stop by the CCS office in Room 305 of the Student Union.

Mu Epsilon Delta

Mu Epsilon Delta and Kaplan Test Prep will sponsor practice GRE, GMAT, LSAT, MCAT or NCLEX exams for only $5 on Friday, from 3 to 6 p.m. The exams will be held on the first floor of Bienvenu Hall, and registration will begin at 2:45 p.m. Space is limited, so call 1-800-KAP-TEST to register. Refreshments will be provided.

NSU Crew

Rent-a-Rower will be available again this semester. E-mail your order to rent_a_rower@hotmail.com. Rent-a-Rower is open to NSU faculty and students. For more information contact Charles C. Percy, NSU Crew vice president, at 357-5921.

Student Government Association

The **SGA** is looking for new members. There are five positions for senator and one position for supreme court. Students interested in filling these positions should stop by Room 222 of the Student Union.

First Baptist Church

The **First Baptist Church** of Natchitoches will have a free lunch and Bible study every Sunday following their 11 a.m. service. The First Baptist Church of Natchitoches is located on 508 Second St.

Catholic Student Organization

The **CSO** will have a theology study and faith sharing Sunday nights at 8, followed by the 9:30 Mass. Bible Study is every Tuesday night at 8, and Fellowship is every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m., followed by a free meal. Everyone is welcome. For more info, contact Amy Dowden at 352-2615.

Baptist Collegiate Ministry

The **BCM** will have Wednesday night worship across the street from Watson Library every week. The worship begins at 8:31. All students are welcome to attend. The BCM also has a $1 lunch encounter on Thursdays from 11:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. For more information call the BCM at 352-5464.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes

FCA will be having its weekly fellowship every Tuesday night. The meetings are held in the athletic field house on the south end of Turpin Stadium at 8. There will be a devotional speaker each week. Everyone is welcome.

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Natchitoches city council members (from left) Billy Evans, Lee Posey, Wayne McCullen, Don Mims, Jr., Jack McCain and Sylvia Morrow conclude Monday night's meeting after hearing arguments against their proclamation.

City council

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"I am not here to defend Confederate History Month," Evans said. "I am here as an elected official to defend the rights of every citizen, in this town, in this state, in this country, to express his or her beliefs."

Referring to a previous contention from the meeting about protecting children from some of history's repugnancy, Evans said, "You may mean well in saying that to hide the history of a people is a good thing, but I say to you that to hide history is to try to hide the truth. And the truth must be known."

After that statement, people in the crowd started shifting in their seats, some disapprovingly shaking their heads.

"I think today, what you have are people who have the right intentions and want to see things go well. But to say to anyone, because we are the majority... because we may have an opportunity to obstruct some of their history, that we should do so, I think that it is using the same tactics that we ourselves believe are not right,"Evans said.

Many of those shifting in their seats had moved on to disgruntled chat with neighbors, saying things like "He's crazy," and, "It's unbelievable."

Shortly after Evans concluded his thoughts on the proclamation, the decision was made to make April Confederate History Month once again. Opponents of the declaration were furious, and Robert Jackson, a Natchitoches resident, blamed the city council.

"We have a dictatorship that runs the city government," Jackson adamantly said.

Evans could have a rocky road ahead of him when it comes time for re-election in 2004. As a supporter of the option for Confederate History Month, he is likely to lose the support of much of the district he represents.

According to Mary Ann Nunley, Clerk of Court, the Evans' district is approximately 70 percent black.

Later in the meeting, McCain called the proclamation discussion Evans' finest hour.

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Former *Sauce* editor praises, critiques present installments of *The Sauce*

Since Rondray Hill along with some of his Current Sauce staff have been tatooed, barbequed and roasted at times throughout this year -- not, at times, without cause -- I think it's high time somebody gives y'all props for improving the paper and better serving the student body.



Doug Ireland
Guest Columnist

It's a pretty solid piece of work. There's good planning evident with the layout and content. You try to address signficant campus issues, both with news coverage and editorial comment. Despite the incredibly stupid clash between Rondray and some Student Government Association members last semester, you are providing responsible, if not terribly in-depth, coverage of the SGA. The more coverage given the SGA, the more responsibility is placed on those elected student leaders to get things done for the student body. Good things start to happen. It's a healthy process.

Coverage of the relatively routine news on campus is being done better than it has been done in years. From traffic accidents to the police beat to tragic deaths, "everyday" events do make waves on campus.

No question in my job as sports information director, I'm pleased to see more feature stories on our student-athletes have run this year and last than in many years combined. I wish you could better utilize the sports space to incorporate coverage of all of our intercollegiate teams, even in a roundup format, while continuing to run the feature stories. (I still don't get the use of canned national stories when you don't give at least some coverage to all NSU sports in season each week, but as a whole, it's still a much-improved section.)

You're trying to make the opinion page lively. That doesn't necessarily mean taking extreme stands or attacking Greeks to create controversy, as some past staffs have done largely to amuse themselves.

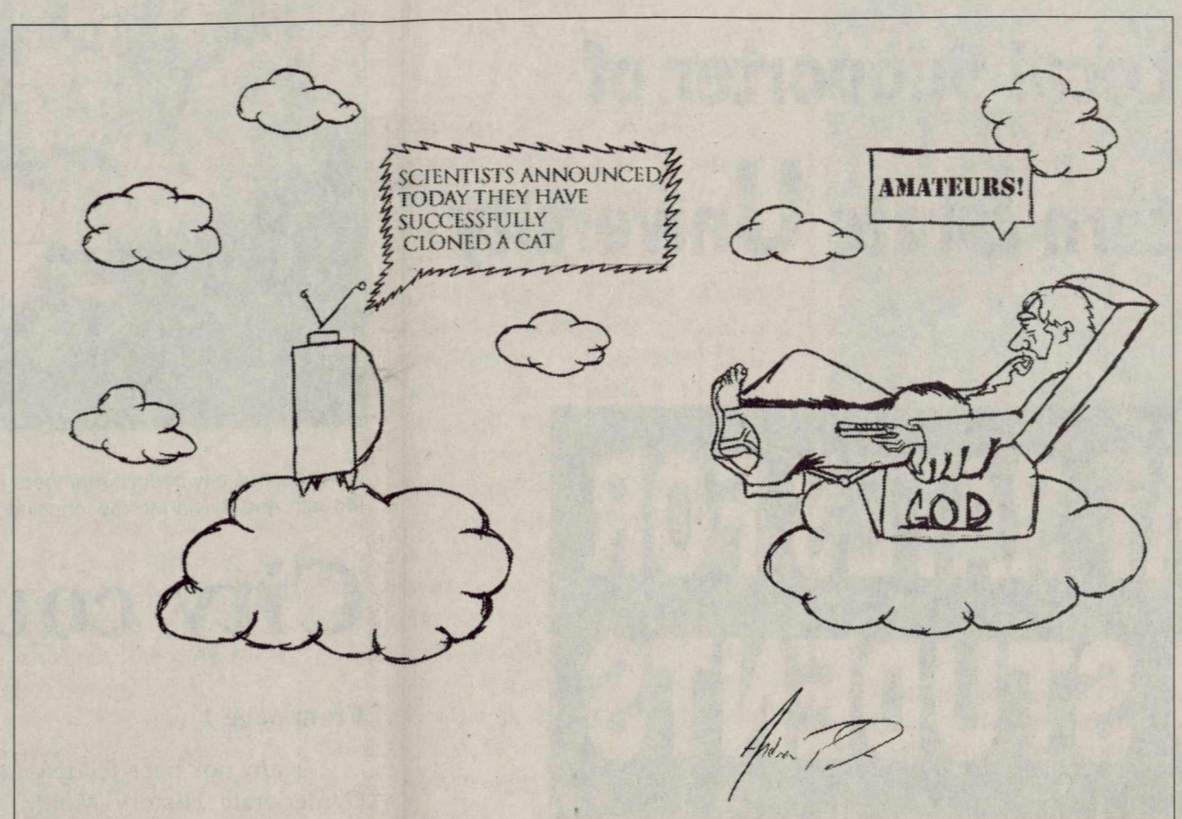
Instead, you have a chance to raise issues that impact your readers -- students, faculty, staff and alumni. Keep thinking and writing. Look harder. Hopefully more of the readers will, too.

I also enjoy the additional lifestyle coverage. We have superb disciplines of theatre and music, and their productions are exceptional. They should get a lot of attention in the student paper -- front page for the main events -- and you're doing a better job there. Focusing on things to do in and around Natchitoches is a good feature.

That said, I think it was a terrible error in judgement to run the profane language used by the has-been rapper Vanilla Ice a few weeks back. In fact, the whole page was a waste of space. A one-hit wonder playing in front of 40 people at a club in Monroe isn't newsworthy here - or there. There are more than enough topical issues at NSU that could have been given the same space, to the much greater benefit of your readers. For example, the Faculty Senate is asking, and so too hopefully is the Student Government Association, what it takes to increase state funding for our university. That's worth a full page in this paper -- per week.

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Reality*Check* by Andrew David



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Editor's*Take*

Who should be SGA president-- anyone but D. Floyd

Despite what you may have been led to believe, Abe Lincoln is alive.

Yes, all those textbooks, lectures and pictures are wrong. Honest Abe is alive, and he's kicking it right here in Natchitoches.

How do I know, you ask? Simple. I know because Abe is endorsing Dustin Floyd and Buster Carlisle for the positions of SGA President and Veep.

Abe says, and I quote, "I know, I usually don't do this. I am making an exception. I wish to fully support Dustin Floyd and Buster Carlisle for SGA President and Vice President."

While my credentials may not be as distinguished as the former President, I respectfully dissent.

Let me be on record as being the first to officially just say no to Floyd and Carlisle. Many will certainly follow.

I have no stake in this election; I graduate in the summer. However, I've had enough experiences with these two to know that, despite what the nice young man in the top hat says, these two are not the best choice to lead this school.

In fact, if I had my choice, I would probably vote for...well...anyone but these two.



Rondray Hill
Editor's Take

The two have put a slightly amusing campaign, one that includes funny-looking signs and a ridiculous platform. Unfortunately, the two are serious.

One of the issues, if elected, that Floyd and Carlisle say they'll address is the lack of food selections at ARAMark. Considering that our most pressing need at NSU is the fact that I can't get a SIrloin Steak at Vic's, I imagined how the potential conversation between Floyd and the ARAMark people would play out:

DF: Good afternoon, ARAMark Lady I'm Dustin Floyd, and I demand we have more 20 chicken nuggets instead of only 12.

ARAMark Lady: This line is closed.

DF: Did you not just hear me. I'm the SGA President, and I say there must be barbecue sauce available at all times.

AL: What did you say your name was?

DF: Dustin Floyd

AL: Nuts and Droids?

DF: No, Dustin Floyd.

AL: I can't hear you until you move to the other line.

DF: But there are six other people in that line

AL: (tears off receipt) Thankyouhaveaniceday.

I use humor, but this is a serious matter. The SGA President is the student's representative to the University. That person not only is the student's liaison to the administration, but the SGA President gets a hefty scholarship.

And in my dealings with both Floyd and Carlisle, I have found the pair to be pretentious, cutthroat, vindictive and backstabbing. They do this with a smile on their face.

They are... politicians.

It is my recomendation that the Floyd/Carlisle ticket be soundly defeated in this year's SGA presidential election. Anyone who steps into the race would be better than these two.

Is Abe Lincoln available?

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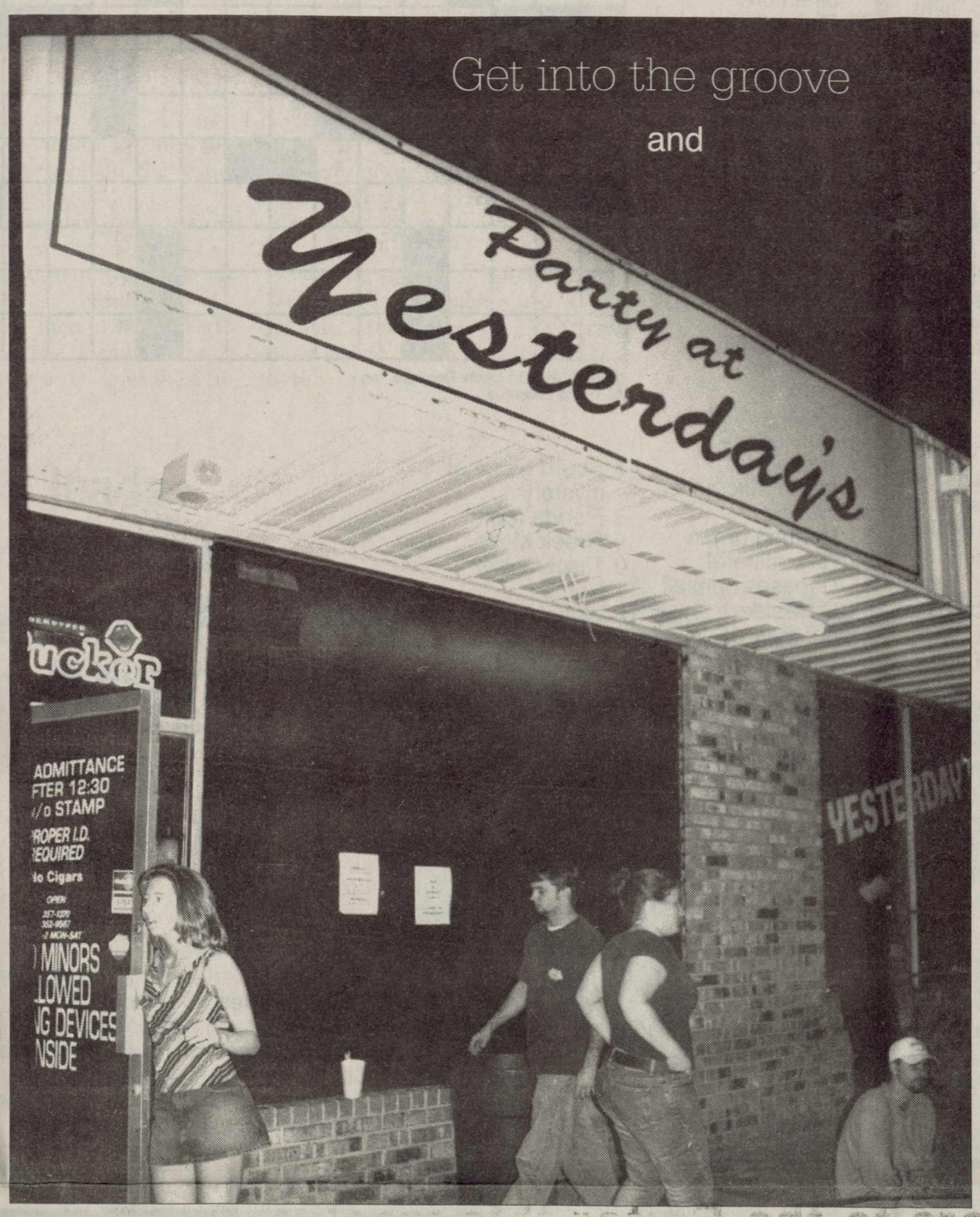


Photo by Callie Reames

80s dancers take a rest after dancing all night long to retro music.

And if you can dance for inspiration, then come on... '80s night at Yesterday's

By Callie Reames
Sauce Reporter

Funky music can be heard outside the glass door every Friday night at Yesterday's.

Why?

Because it's '80s Night, and Natchitoches is hip and hopping in a retro kind of way.

Take a few steps (and a couple of decades) back in time around 10:30 on a Friday night. This is the escape from modern culture that some people need after five days of demanding classes.

"Yesterday's has a good atmosphere, great people, and fun music," sophomore Seth Fornea said.

Dressing up for the goofy dancing is half of the fun.

Did you misplace those leg warmers and polka dot belts? Have you already thrown away those stonewashed blue jeans and that hat that looked like it was Ducky's in "Pretty In Pink"?

"Nobody's styling like me when it comes to '80s Night," sophomore Levi Petree said. He tries to get a new outfit every week.

Junior Robyn Eddy said her favorite thing about '80s Night is the opposite sex. "The boys. Seriously ... the pretty boys," Eddy said with a smile.

Did you ever learn "The Freeze" or wish you had more opportunities to groove to "Strokin'"? '80s Night is here to save the day.

"They're the only place that'll play the '80s line dances, like 'Footloose'," Caroline Bolter, a graduating senior, explained.

Joe Naples, a sophomore, said he'd like to see more variety in the music.

"They're starting to repeat a lot of the songs," Naples commented.

He still goes every Friday despite his dislike of song reruns.

In addition to a mirrored dance area, there is a table for foosball games, and playing pool has never been more tubular.

For those interested in alcoholic beverages, there are penny pitchers to be consumed.

There is a $5 cover for those who visit the time warp behind the glass door, and most people enjoy what Yesterday's has to offer on Fridays.

The party stays on until 2 a.m. when the DJ plays a slow one from ... you guessed it, the '80s.

Then everyone goes back to the '0s.

Local bands rock LSU Tigerland during concerts

By Glenn Ward
Sauce Reporter

You might remember local groups Kelvin and 3 Color Portrait from the Pioneer Pub, last year's Battle of the Bands at Sam Goody, or other small gigs around Natchitoches.

Well, they are both still trying to make a name for themselves and both played together Friday night in Baton Rouge.

"They called and sent a demo and I told them I could book them on Friday," Christian Macedo, bar manager of Rotolo's said. "Basically these are two bands that are looking for exposure riding on the coat tails of McCloud to get their name out there."

The stage was an open-air patio connected to Rotolo's, and the acoustics worked. The performance felt more like a laid-back practice session. 3 Color Portrait's front man Brian Borsics, bassist Corey Nichols, and drummer Nick Milliner all got props from NSU junior Amy Phillips.

Phillips said they had a good set, sort of a soft-rock vibe, "and it was a good chance to see my boyfriend, the drummer Nic Milliner."

Live barroom music can be considered its own genre — not necessarily the type you would pop in the disc changer of your car, but good stuff anyway. Raw power chords vibrate the wooden planks beneath your feet and the echo between your ears makes you want to bounce. Now that is good music.

Kelvin's vocalist Jay Medler said he had fun playing and getting crowd response.

"Music is present everywhere," Melder said. "It's bigger than movies, bigger than TV...music can touch people like few things can."

Bassist Curtis Harrington said his music is a creative passion. "I tried to draw, but I can't draw worth a f---," Harrington said. "So I play guitar, and it works."

McCloud took the stage after Kelvin and the crowd waited to see how they would do. Immediately, McCloud's vocalist Chad Favre began taking jello shots.

McCloud was a disappointment live. With vocals fluctuating and dissonant chords that never found resolution, my ears actually hurt.

"It was a good show, except we got a little too liquored up," bassist Ben Tiblier said. "That is what happens when you have two opening bands, you have got nothing else to do."

The cover was $5, so with a 200 person turnout, there was $1,000 made at the door.

But after the show, Kelvin explained that Rotolo's got 25 percent, and the rest was split between the three bands. Since McCloud headlined, the argument was they had pulled out the most fans and deserved the most money. So Kelvin got $185 to split five ways, about $38 a person.





Photo by Glenn Ward

(Above) Brian Borsics plays his guitar live on stage. (Left) Band members Jay Melder(vocals) and Danny Wood (lead guitar) played live last Saturday night at Rotolo's.

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Spring break drinking by students stirs concerns among elders

Courtesy Knight Ridder Tribune

As thousands of college students stuff their spring break luggage with skimpy swim wear and tank tops, some parents and health care professionals are more worried about what they'll be putting inside their bodies than what they'll be wearing on the outside.

"Losing a child to alcohol is a senseless and horrible tragedy that we think can be avoided," said J. Edward Hill, chairman-elect of the board for the American Medical Association. "But it means that we as adults have to take off our blinders and see spring break for what it really is today -and that's a carnival-like atmosphere where alcohol seems to flow freely and our children are put at risk for a whole host of problems."

Last week, the AMA released the results of a nationwide telephone survey of 500 adults who are 21 and older _ 135 of whom were parents of college students and/or high schoolers planning to go to college. Many of those surveyed were concerned about the extensive marketing of alcohol to spring breakers.

For instance, 70 percent of parents and 63 percent of adults believed that students were influenced by alcohol promotions at bars and clubs during the break, and 79 percent of the parents and 77 percent of adults thought that the promotions encouraged the students to drink excessively and possibly engage in high-risk behavior.

Almost all of the survey participants, 99 percent of parents and 96 percent of adults, wanted bar owners to better train their staffs to recognize drunken or underage patrons, and 92 percent of parents and 83 percent of adults wanted them to do more to enforce the minimum drinking age of 21 , now the rule in all states.

Natalie Brant, a 20-year-old University of Wisconsin-Madison sophomore, says she has indulged too much in alcohol in the past and plans to be more careful when she and friends go to Daytona Beach, Fla., for break this year.

Last year, during a spring break trip to Clearwater, Fla., she and her friends got so drunk they began running into the ocean. They knew only because they woke up the next morning with sand all over their beds.

Brant says everybody ,including parents realizes that spring break is just a big party and that alcohol is going to be everywhere.

"I don't know why they'd be surprised, but I can see why they'd be concerned," she said.

Hill called upon parents and college campuses to become more active in educating students about the dangers of alcohol and asked community leaders to help institute policy changes that would still allow the students to have a "good time," but in a "safer" environment.

UW-Madison Chancellor John D. Wiley said that while some parents are quite concerned about excessive drinking on spring break, others contribute to the problem throughout the year.

Several times, campus police have confiscated alcohol that parents gave to students to help improve their social lives, he said.

Wiley said the best way to prevent high-risk drinking is through peer pressure, and said that since the start of the school year, more than 50 students have been transported to hospitals or detoxification centers with blood-alcohol levels of more than 0.20.

"Some of those students would have died," he said. Unfortunately, the number is pretty typical, he said.

The AMA survey was conducted in February for the AMA's Office of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse.

No rules: with journals, just write it

Courtesy Knight Ridder Tribune

The beauty of keeping a journal is that there are no rules. You don't have to write complete sentences in a leather-bound book. You don't have to write every day. You don't have to be profound. You don't have to do any of the other things that may have kept your thoughts silent in the past.

"One thing I wanted to do was to explode the notion of what a journal is," says Alexandra Johnson, author of ``Leaving a Trace: The Art of Transforming Life Into Stories'' (Little, Brown; $13.95 paperback).

"A journal ... can be scraps of paper we keep in a shoebox, joint e-mail put into binders, a computer disc. Or it could be those beautiful handmade Italian notebooks I'm too terrified to write in because my handwriting's so bad."

Johnson, who often jots her thoughts on her Visa receipts, offers these thoughts about starting a journal or diary:

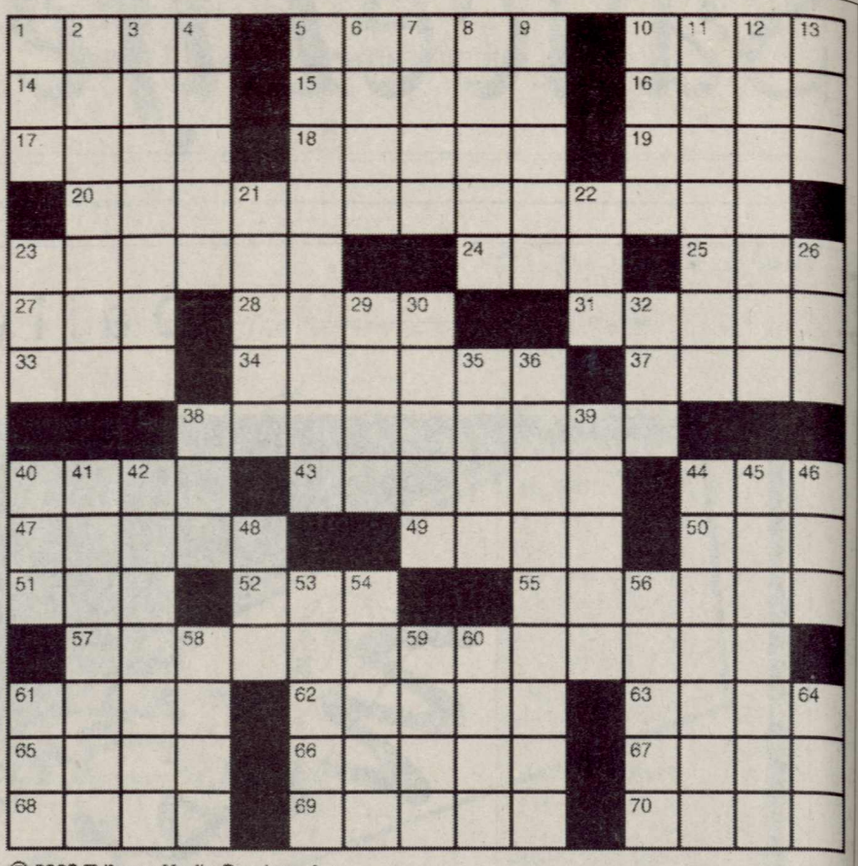
Write a few words before your doctor's appointment, before meetings begin or while on hold.

"Journals help you use your time more and be productive," says Johnson, whose car is filled with scribbled Post-it notes that she later transcribes into journals. "We waste time waiting for all the things in life."

Choose the kind of journal that suits your needs, and don't feel restricted to one. You might have a journal for travel and one for complaints, for prayers asked and answered, for aspirations. Some people keep them during their own illness or a loved one's.

Don't know what to say? Use concrete details. Write down 10 things you're grateful for, the memories a photograph invokes, a half-dozen books you remember from childhood.

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Dirty Dozen; baseball wins 12th straight with win

By Janie Warren
Sauce Reporter

With a 12-game winning streak, the NSU Demon baseball team is showing their strengths in the game this season.

Wednesday's win against Centenary as well as a weekend win over Texas Southern handed the Demons their 12th straight victory The Demons (14-2) scored three runs in the 11th inning to give them a 5-2 lead against the TSU Tigers, including one resulting from junior outfielder Brian Hobbes being struck by a pitch.

Demon head baseball coach Mitch Gaspard was extremely pleased with the team's performance.

"We've been solid," Gaspard said. " Pitching and defense are strong, as all other areas. I don't think there's one factor of our game that sticks out more than the other."

They will return home tomorrow to begin the Southland Conference regular season against the University of Louisiana-Monroe. Gaspard is anticipating this game because of its expected level of competition.

"Monroe has been one of the top teams in our league and I expect to play them well," Gaspard said. " I expect a lot of excitement from both teams for the first conference game."

Senior catcher Mike Hathaway said he is just as excited about the conference and the remainder of the season as his other teammates.

"We expect to come out of the conference with all wins," Hathaway said. "We just feel confident about the season, and we don't plan on losing."

Box Score
NSU 12, Cent. 5
3/14/02

NSU 100 910 010 - 12 12 3
Cent. 200 010 020 - 5 10 3

HR – Durham (3)

W – Johnson (3-1)
L – Rhodes (1-1)

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Baseball

Remaining Schedule

MARCH		
15	**La.-Monroe**	**7:00**
16	**La.-Monroe**	**2:00**
17	**La.-Monroe**	**1:00**
21	**TAMU-CC**	**4:00**
22	**Lamar**	**7:00**
23	**Lamar**	**2:00**
24	**Lamar**	**1:00**
27	TAMU-CC (2)	3:00
29	McNeese TBA	
30	McNeese TBA	
31	McNeese TBA	
APRIL		
4	Texas Southern	3:00
5	Texas-San Antonio	TBA
6	Texas-San Antonio	TBA
7	Texas-San Antonio	TBA
9	Grambling	1:00
10	Louisiana Tech	6:30
12	**Sam Houston**	**7:00**
13	**Sam Houston**	**2:00**
14	**Sam Houston**	**1:00**
16	**Texas Southern**	**3:00**
17	Louisiana Tech	6:30
19	Nicholls 7:00	
20	Nicholls 2:00	
21	Nicholls 1:00	
23	Centenary	6:30
24	Henderson State (2)	2:00
MAY		
3	SELU *	6:00
4	SELU *	1:00
5	SELU *	1:00
7	Oral Roberts	6:30
8	Oral Roberts	2:00
11	UTA * (2)	1:00
12	UTA *	1:00
17	SWT * (2)	2:00
18	SWT *	1:00

Softball

Remaining Schedule

14	Louisiana Tech	6:00 PM
16	**McNeese ***	**1:00**
		3:00 PM
17	**McNeese ***	**1:00 PM**
23	SWT *	1:00
		3:00 PM
24	SWT *	1:00 PM
26	Texas A & M	5:00
		7:00 PM
29	**SELU ***	**5:00 PM**
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13	Stephen F. Austin *	1:00
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17	LSU	5:30
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20	**SHSU ***	**1:00**
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24	**Centenary**	**5:00**
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27	La.-Monroe *	3:00
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28	La.-Monroe *	1:00 PM

Standings

	W	L	%
1) Southwest Texas	9	0	1.0
2)McNeese State	5	1	.833
3) Northwestern State	**4**	**2**	**.666**
4)Nicholls State	2	1	.666
5)Texas-San Antonio	3	3	.500
6)SELU	2	4	.333
7)UTA	2	4	.333
8)Louisiana-Monroe	1	5	.166
9)Sam Houston	1	5	.166
10) SFA	1	5	.166

Tennis

SW Texas 4
NSU 3

3/10/02

SINGLES: Tina Kemenc (S) d. Eliza Young 6-3, 3-6, 6-2
Anneline Zerwick (N) d. Melanie Hall 6-3, 6-0
Jovanna Dimovic (S) d. Katy Wallace 6-1, 2-6 6-4
Mackenzie Mekus (S) d. Alexandra Nieto 6-1, 6-0
Regan Schneider (S) d. Ngoc Luu 6-2, 6-1
Camila Prado (N) d. Sara Convery 6-1, 6-1.

DOUBLES:
Young/Zerwick (N) d. Klemenc/Hall 8-6
Nieto/Luu (N) d. Schneider/Mekus 9-7
Dimovic/Makenzie Fryar (S) d. Wallace/Kimberly Conway 8-3.

Next Match
3/16 @ Sam Houston
10 a.m.

NSU leads conference in graduation rates, 250 graduates

Northwestern State leads all 11 Southland Conference institutions in the graduation rate of student-athletes, according to an NCAA survey, and NSU director of athletics Greg Burke predicts even greater performance in future studies.

Indications the graduation rate will continue to climb include recent academic performance of nearly 250 NSU student-athletes, said Burke. Five of 10 sport groupings at NSU posted 3.0 cumulative grade point averages for the fall 2001 semester, and the other five had averages of 2.5 or better, he said.

In the 2001 NCAA graduation rate study, Northwestern posted a Southland Conference-best 47 percent graduation rate for its student-athletes. Data from the study for all NCAA member institutions is available at www.ncaa.org on the internet.

The study gives graduation information about students and student-athletes entering in 1994 -- the most recent graduating class for which the required six years of information is available. Each report provides information about student-athletes who received athletics aid in one or more of eight sports categories: football, men's basketball, baseball, men's track and field/cross country, men's other sports and mixed sports, women's basketball, women's track and field/cross country, and women's other sports.

Northwestern's graduation rate will continue to improve, said Burke, who cited last year's opening of the 2,400-square foot Johnnie Emmons Academic Study Center. The facility includes 26 study carrels, a computer lab, five tutoring rooms, a group study room and can accomodate up to 80 students simultaneously.

"We're proud of being the best in our conference at any endeavor and especially in the 2001 NCAA graduation rates study. Our primary mission is to give our student-athletes the best opportunity to earn their college degrees," said Burke.

Five of the 10 sport groupings (women's track and field, softball, women's tennis, soccer and women's basketball) at Northwestern posted cumulative team grade point averages of 3.0 or better in the fall 2001 semester. The other five (football, volleyball, men's track and field, baseball and men's basketball) had team g.p.a.'s of 2.5 or better, Lessiter said.

"Nearly every one of our student-athletes has, or quickly develops, an understanding of the opportunity they have here at Northwestern to succeed academically and to earn a college degree," Lessiter said. "There's positive peer pressure here to achieve in the classroom."

Rebuilding time

...So now what?

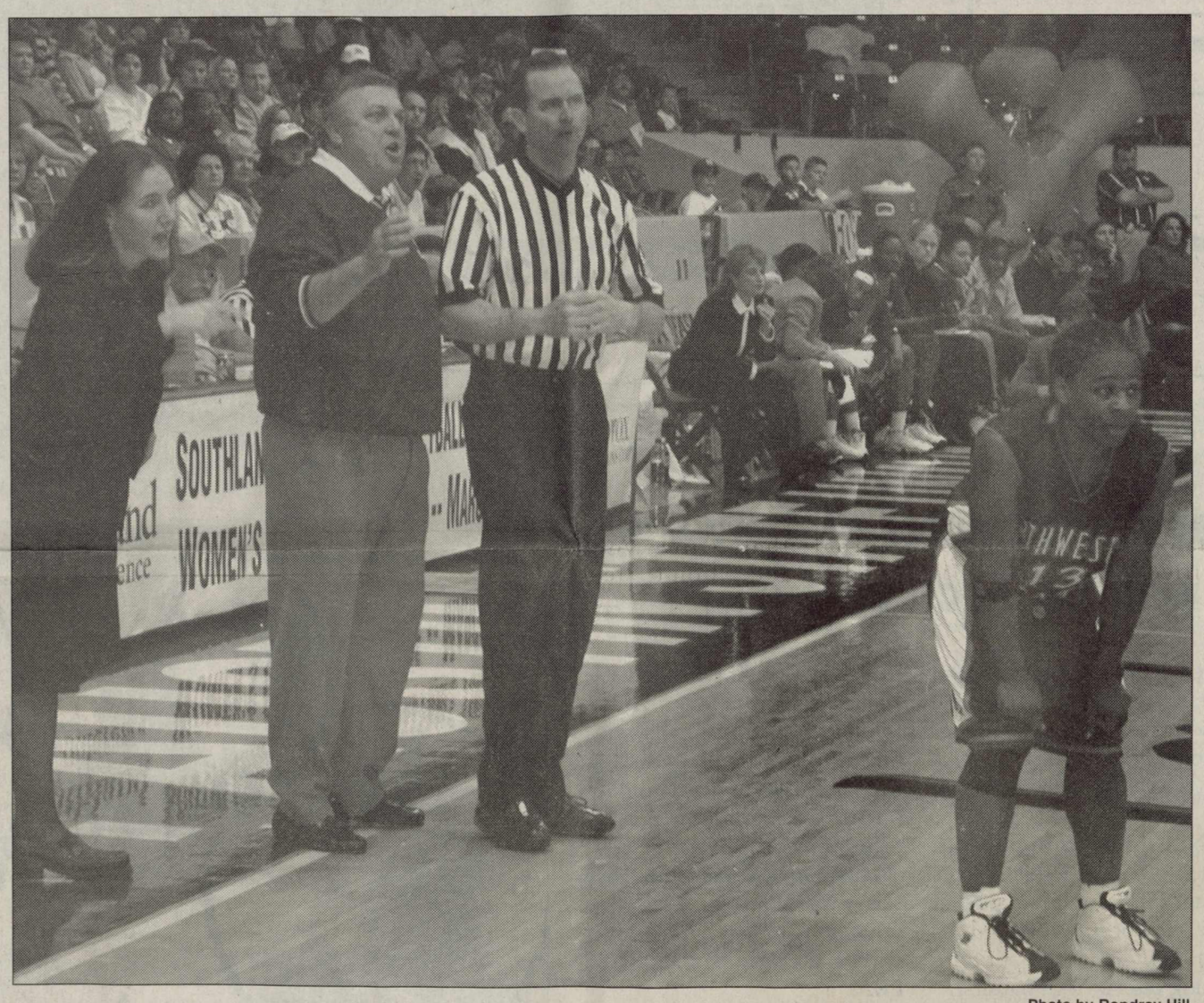


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Coaches James Smith and Jennifer Graf shout instructions to players and referees during last Saturday's Southland Conference championship game versus Stephen F. Austin. The Lady Demons lost for the 9th time in championship games, losing to the Lady jacks 76-53

What do the Lady Demons do now? Start over

By Rondray Hill
Editor

This was supposed to be the year.

This was it. this was the big one. This was the year the Lady Demon's finally put it all together.

They planned on sleeping in a hotel somewhere in American, eating take-out and studying game film for Texas Tech, who may have been their first round opponent in the NCAA tournament.

"It was sad in the locker room," Lady Demon forward Katrina Swanigan said. "It wasn't as bad as last year, but it was still a bad feeling."

A 76-52 loss in the championship game of the conference tournament has a way of bringing a team back down to ground level. Losing four championship games in a row might devastate that same team.

So what does that team do? Start over.

"It was heartbreaking, but you can't cry forever," assistant coach Jennifer Graf said. " After the game, Coach Smith talked about how we have to turn the page. We talked about what we have to to to get better."

2001- 2002 Lady Demon Basketball

Record: 22-7
17-3 SLC

21-game home winning streak

The Lady Demons can look forward to not having to replace the nucleus of their talent pool. The Lady Demons graduate only one senior, center Emily Huey, and no starters from a team that has been to the championship game in each of the last four years.

Conference player of the year Angela Davidson, as well as national assist leader Laterrica Dobin both return next season.

Swanigan, who missed most of the 2002 season due to a knee injury, is also prepared to comeback.

"We'll be the same exact team," Swanigan said. "Next year, we'll try to work the freshmen into the system. Our focus will be not to let this happen again."

Graf said the areas she hopes the team focuses on during the summer are strength training and interior play. She hopes the players become more aggressive around the basket.

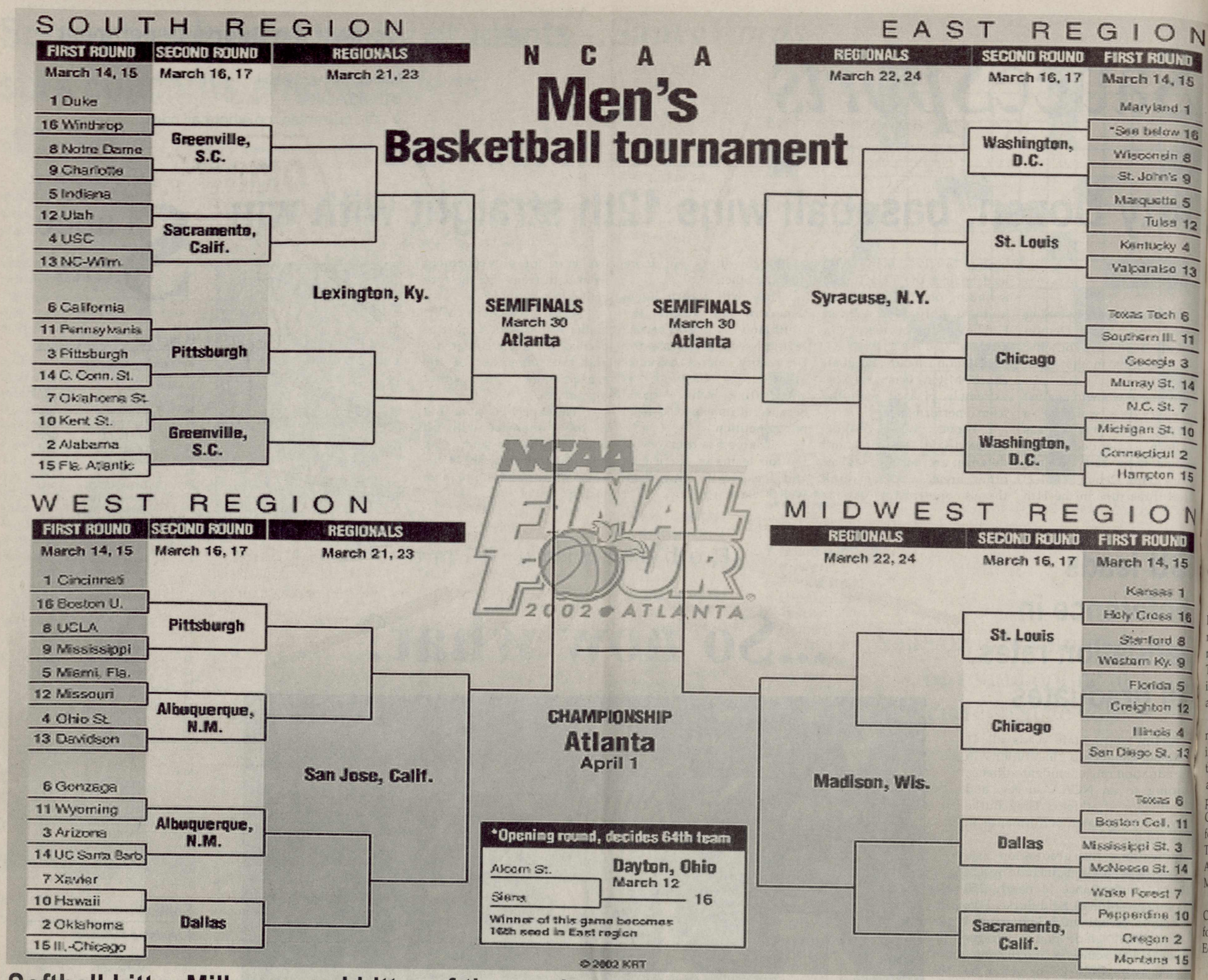
"We need to work on putting the ball on the floor," Graf said. "If we can have our players get stronger and smarter, then we have a good shot at wining next year."

Swanigan added to Graf's remarks, stating that the Lady Demons will probably have a more balanced off-seasons workout schedule.

"I think our workouts in the summer will be more organized," Swanigan said. We are going to do more running and lifting. The good thing is we don't really have to push players. They want to get better.

Their motivation to get better has grown in other ways. Stephen F. Austin, winners of 13 post-season tournament championships, loses four of five starters, and the confidence only grows among the Lady Demons.

"It'll definitely happen next season. We will win the tournament next year."



Softball hitter Miller named hitter of the week; Demons do battle with La. Tech today

Northwestern State softball freshman leftfielder Nicole Martin was named Southland Conference Hitter of the Week after posting a .471 batting average and finishing the week 4-for-4 on stolen bases.

Martin trails senior teammate Annie Johnston's .464 average with a .379 batting average. The Keller, Texas native has five doubles and 23 stolen bases.

The Northwestern State softball team will travel to Ruston today for a single game with La. Tech after Wednesday's game was postponed due to Tech's hosting of a men's NIT first round game against La.-Lafayette.

The Demons (19-15, 4-2) come into the game after winning their second consecutive conference series against Texas-Arlington this past weekend, two games to one.

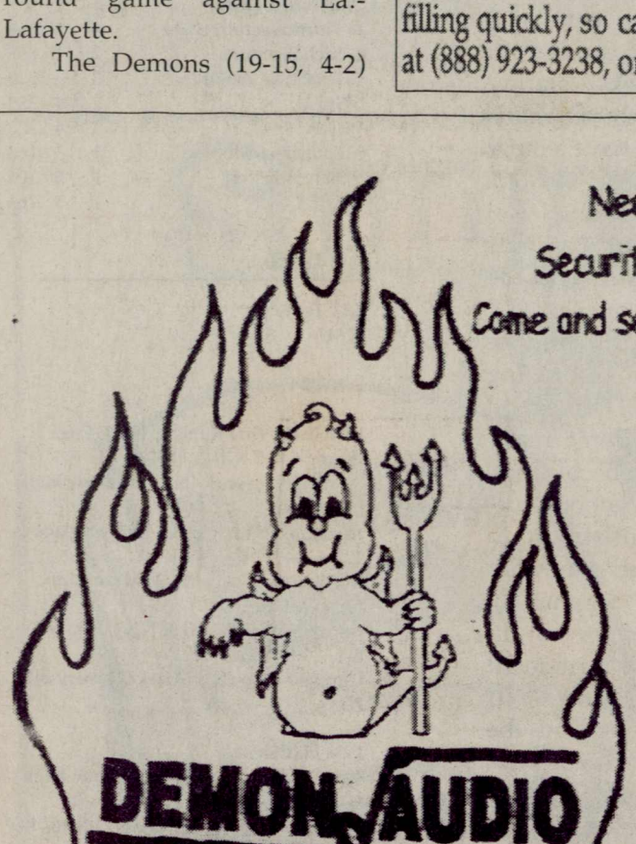
NSU also dropped La. Tech (10-3) earlier this season, 5-0, as NSU's freshman pitcher Loni Rasberry pitched a complete game shutout, striking out six Tech batters.

The Demons are led by senior centerfielder Annie Johnston hitting .464 with thirty-one stolen bases and on the mound by sophomore pitcher Crista Miller with a 7-6 record and a 1.16 ERA.

La. Tech is led by catcher Casey Reiff batting .333 and by pitcher Lindsey Meadows with a 6-1 record and a 1.53 ERA.

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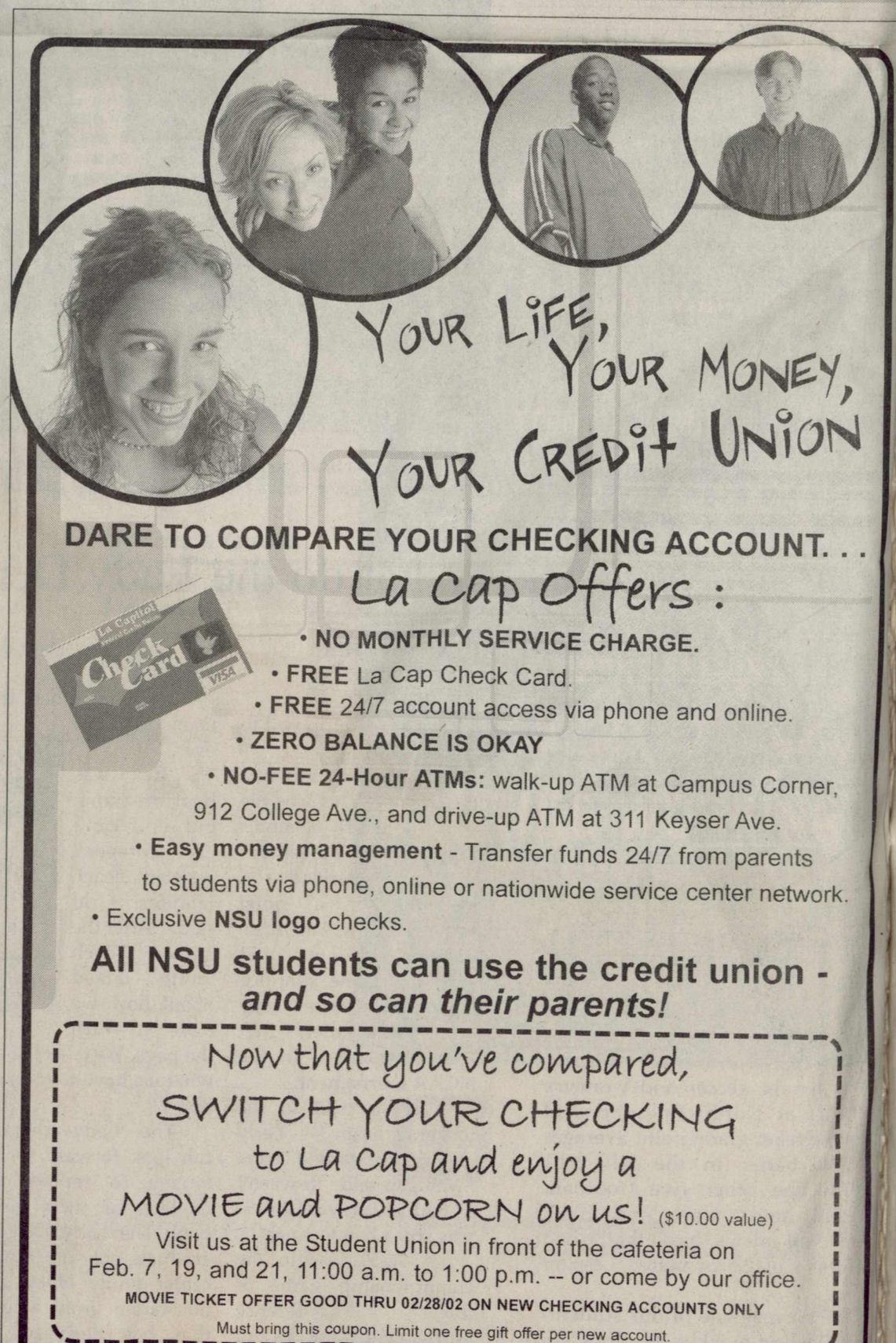
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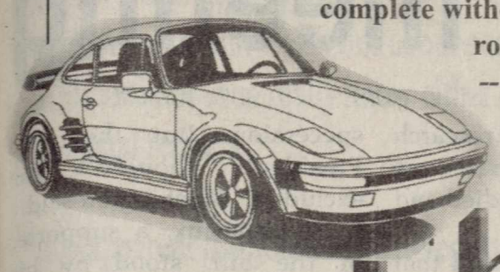
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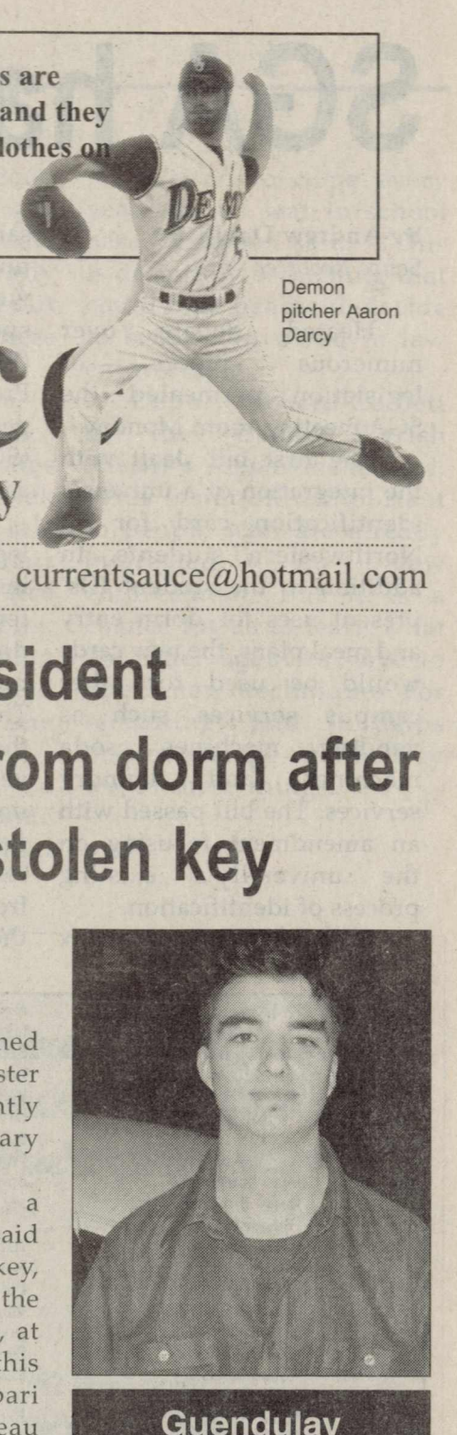


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Demon pitcher Aaron Darcy

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ULM

I do! UL-Monroe offers Master's degree in marriage

Courtesy ULM Pow Wow online

The University of Louisiana at Monroe offers a master's of arts degree in marriage and family therapy. This program is the only one in the nation that is dually accredited.

ULM developed the master of arts degree program in marriage and family therapy in 1983 and was first accredited in 1987. This program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education of the American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy.

It is also accredited by the Council for the Accreditation for Counseling and Related Education Program.

FIU

Students to spend Spring Break volunteering at WTC

Here are your choices for college spring break. You could spend the whole time lying on the beach with friends. Or you could work the midnight shift feeding people, standing on your feet for eight hours every day.

For 15 students at Florida International University, the choice was clear. They will work for the Salvation Army, feeding workers who are clearing Ground Zero, the site where the twin towers of the World Trade Center were destroyed on Sept. 11. The group departed Saturday for New York and will be feeding workers through Friday.

"I was super excited to go," said Maria Victoria Llantada, 21, an FIU junior who found out about the Ground Zero trip from her friend Alex Zarut, a trip organizer.

The FIU group is being filmed for a segment of the CBS documentary show "48 Hours."

Missouri

University of Missouri gives free 'date-rape' drug kits

University of Missouri-Columbia students who think someone might have slipped a "date-rape" drug into their drink now have a way to find out.

MU's Predatory Drugs Task Force has begun making free date-rape drug test kits available at campus locations including a 24-hour store, residence halls and some sorority houses.

The kits contain a form on which students record details of when they might have been drugged. This helps school health officials identify possible patterns.

The kits also contain a cup for collecting a urine sample, which students turn in anonymously at the student health center.

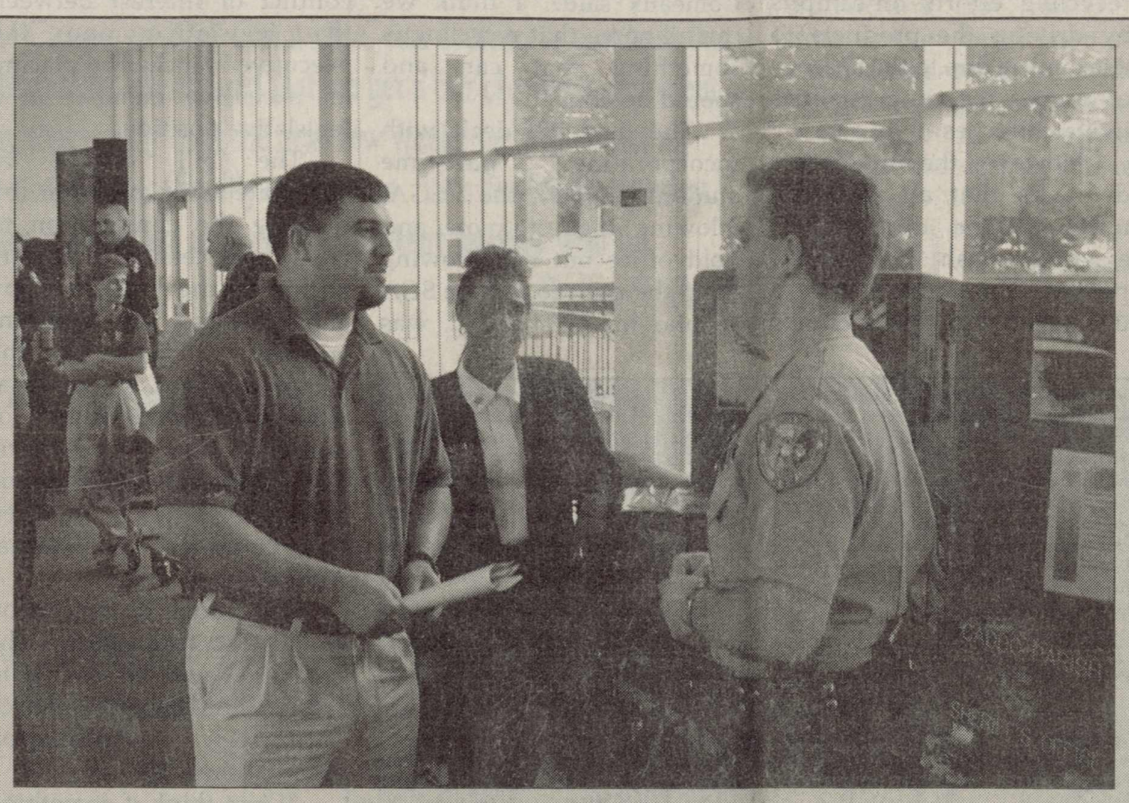


Photo by Jeremy Pace

(From left to right) University student Robert Garner speaks with Pat Sepulvado and Deputy Richard Corbett, in front of Caddo parish Sherrif's office display. Criminal Justice Day was held Tuesday in the Student Union lobby.

University holds 'Criminal Justice Day'

By Jeremy Pace
Sauce Reporter

NSU students got a chance to peer into the lives of Law Enforcement officers Tuesday during Criminal Justice Day.

Agencies ranging from the United States Border Patrol to the Overland Park, Kansas police were in the Student Union explaining their jobs and trying to interest people in their line of work.

Ryan Zito, an alumnus of Northwestern State University and a member of Sigma Nu fraternity, currently works for the Natchitoches Juvenile Probation and Parole office. Zito explained the importance of the Criminal Justice Day.

"It is really important because it provides information

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See *Criminal Justice Day*

Caspari resident removed from dorm after returning stolen key

By Garrett Guillotte
Copy Editor

Guendulay

An NSU student turned in a stolen dormitory master key and was subsequently placed on disciplinary suspension.

Mario Guendulay, a senior sociology major, said he turned in the stolen key, which he acquired from the person who had stolen it, at the beginning of this semester after Caspari residential assistant Beau Boudreaux expressed to Guendulay fears of being fired or having to resign over the theft.

According to a letter from NSU Director of Student Services Frances Conine addressed to Guendulay, Guendulay violated three parts of the NSU Code of Conduct, including misuse of public property and the unauthorized temporary taking of University property.

Guendulay was forced to move out of Caspari Hall for one year but could return to another campus dorm — without visitation — with Conine's permission. He was also placed on disciplinary probation for one year, and any violation of his probation could lead to his immediate suspension or expulsion from the university.

Guendulay agreed to the terms of the punishment, but said he did eventually return the key to NSU Housing Director Woody Blair. Guendulay said he acquired the key from the person who stole it by telling the person he needed access to the dorms over the Christmas break, but turned it in without using it.

He also said that a rash of thefts that had affected the dorm during the fall semester finals stopped after he acquired the key, further compelling him to turn it in.

"I was trying to help do good, just a moral conflict is what screwed me in the end," Guendulay said. "I put myself on a limb and I got screwed."

Guendulay said he could have thrown the key away or destroyed it and probably avoid punishment but decided to turn it in when Boudreaux talked to him.

"I feel I saved Beau Boudreaux's job," Guendulay said.

Conine said there was no negligence on Boudreaux's part.

Boudreaux declined to comment on the matter.

Conine said she could not comment on matters directly concerning Guendulay's role in the incident due to student privacy laws protecting disciplinary records. However, Conine did say that, concerning Guendulay's punishment, "there was just a whole lot of stuff involved."

Guendulay said the person responsible for the key's theft was also punished but remains on campus.

Unlike a suspension, a disciplinary probation is not part a student's permanent transcript, and detailed information concerning the event can only be accessed with the student's permission.

DOTD says no to traffic light at Wal-Mart Keyser entrances

By Joni Shirley
Sauce Reporter

City administrator concerns about accidents on Keyser Avenue in front of the Wal-Mart Supercenter have provoked a state study of traffic at the shopping center.

The three- to four-week Department of Transportation and Development study is a result of concerns for the safety of the motoring public along that stretch of Keyser Avenue.

Natchitoches Police Public Information Officer Lt. Gary Swindle said twenty-six accidents, or 22 percent of all accidents on Keyser Avenue, occurred directly in front of the Wal-Mart Supercenter. All of the accidents that occurred in front of Wal-Mart were caused by failure to yield.

State representative Taylor Townsend expressed his concern through correspondence to department District Engineer Administrator Wayne Marchand.

"I am curious as to whether there are any traffic control devices, which if placed in that vicinity, would prevent the extraordinary number of accidents which have occurred, while at the same time not impeding traffic flow significantly," Townsend said.

Mary Ann Nunley, Executive Assistant to Mayor Wayne McCullen, said, "Similar requests by other local authorities have been forwarded to the D.O.T.D. for assistance to improve the traffic situation in front of Wal-Mart."

The first suggestion made by the city of Natchitoches was to install a traffic light at the entrance of Wal-Mart. Department Traffic Engineer Assistant Joey Wells said such a solution would cause more problems than it would fix.

"We are looking at different options," Wells said. "A 'one-way-in' and 'one-way-exit' will be recommended to Wal-Mart and they will have the final decision."

In response to Townsend's correspondence to the department, department District Traffic Operations Engineer Richard "Pete" Bruce made a request for a study into traffic accidents on the section of Keyser Avenue in question.

> ***"I feel I saved Beau Boudreaux's job."***
>
> Mario Guendulay

Students respond to Natchitoches' 'Confederate History Month'

By Callie Reames
Sauce Reporter

There are two weeks until Confederate History Month begins in Natchitoches.

Ben Sewell, Executive Director of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, said Confederate History Month is meant to preserve the history of the United States the way it really happened.

Sewell directs SCV, which has 32,000 members nationwide, as well as camps in Brazil and Germany.

"Confederate History Month keeps the memory of Confederate leaders alive in an honorable way," Sewell said.

Some NSU students are not aware of what Confederate History Month entails.

"I'm not sure if it's like Black History Month in any way," Christopher Ware, a freshman theater major, said."My largest concern is the racial conflict that it evokes."

Emily Taylor, a sophomore theater major, said, "It shouldn't be a big race issue. It should be celebrated politically correct, of course."

Ware and Taylor said they would attend celebratory events related to Confederate History Month.

"I'd go to a confederate history seminar," Ware said.

Danica Davis has mixed feelings about Confederate History Month. The junior radiology major said she understands what Natchitoches City Councilwoman Sylvia Morrow felt when she voted against the proclamation earlier this month.

"You do have some people that take it as racist," Davis said. "I feel that it's ok. Everyone has a chance to express his or her heritage. They should also. This is America."

"It gives people the freedom of speech, and it lets them celebrate their heritage," Ian Guidorz, a junior hospitality management and tourism major, said,

Guidorz also said there is nothing wrong with being proud of who they are and where they are from.

Some students do not have an opinion about Confederate History Month.

"It really don't make a difference to me," Dean Rials, a freshman general studies major, said.

Confederate History Month culminates with Confederate Memorial Day on April 26.

SGA has another busy Monday meeting

By Andrew David
Sauce Reporter

Heated debate over numerous pieces of legislation permeated the SGA meeting room Monday.

The first bill dealt with the integration of a universal identification card for all Northwestern students. In addition to the student IDs' present uses for dorm entry and meal plans, the new cards would be used for other campus services such as vending machines, soda machines and laundry services. The bill passed with an amendment focusing on the university's existing process of identification.

Bill author Greg Comeaux said, "I was aware of that the university was all ready working on it, but I sponsored it for a PLP (Presidential Leadership Program) student that had to get a piece of legislation in the (SGA) minutes for an assignment."

The next piece of legislation dealt with the installation of wall-mounted feminine hygiene product dispensers in all women's restrooms on NSU's campus. This was introduced in both the 2000 and 2001 legislative years but was not implemented due to a lack of vendor sponsorship as a result of poor profits accrued from the machines. Despite the failed attempts of previous years, however, the SGA passed the bill.

Next was a resolution attempting to increase the recycling efforts of the university by allowing on-campus organizations to assist in the effort. Club Neo, an environmental and beautification-oriented club, volunteered the energy of its members to undertake the recycling efforts on-campus by driving the products to Alexandria due to the absence of proper recycling facilities in Natchitoches.

However, the university's demands that all recycling units fit the decorum of existing trash cans have proven too costly for a university-sponsored program. The legislation was tabled until the next meeting so that it could be reworded.

Comeaux, a proponent of the resolution, said, "Club Neo was allotted $150 by the SGA to assist them in recycling efforts, but the university wouldn't allow the placing of trash cans that do not match the decorum of the rest of the university," Comeaux said. "I think we can all agree that recycling is something that can and should be done."

The next bill dealt with incorporating part-time students into the SGA, allowing them to vote and hold office but not allowing them the right to receive SGA scholarships. The bill was tabled until further research into the opinions of part-time students could be studied and reviewed.

After that was a bill that dealt with the separation of powers within the SGA. As it stands right now the Vice President serves in place of the Speaker of the Senate in the Speaker's absence. The bill suggested this creates a conflict of interest between the legislative and the executive branches by placing an executive member in a legislative position.

The bill sought to eliminate this problem by revising the constitution to create a succession of powers within the SGA by substituting an absent speaker with the Commissioner of Internal Affairs, Commissioner of Student Affairs, Commissioner of Academic Affairs and then Commissioner of External Affairs.

This order of succession would also take effect if the speaker would be unable to fulfill his or her term.

Torrey Washington opposed the bill.

"I just think if something isn't broke we shouldn't try and fix it," Washington said. "I don't think the Vice President should be barred from being interim speaker. There should be a line of succession, but the Vice President shouldn't be excluded," Washington said.

Greg Comeaux, a supporter of the bill, stood by his convictions on the issue of separation of powers.

"If the senate is going to be able to act in its full capacity there can be no interference from the executive branch. This bill would assure that that the executive branch be barred from participating in legislative activities," Comeaux said.

The bill failed to pass by a two-thirds majority.

The next issue for the senate called for the improvement of the current NSU web server. President Rusty Broussard pointed out that the current server is completely adequate, and that the slow log-on speed of NSU's computers is due to Natchitoches' outdated phone system. The bill was tabled for more research.

The last two pieces of legislation passed dealt with organizational grants. The newly-formed NSU in-line hockey club received a total of $1,433, with $650 going towards league fees, $633 for new goalie equipment and $150 for a new hockey goal. NSU's flight team also received $4,810 in order to pay for their entry into a regional competition.

Call to Order- 7:04p.m.

The prayer was lead by Beau Boudreaux. The pledge was lead by Buster Carlisle.

Roll Call
Present
Leanna Anderson
Beau Boudreaux
Rusty Broussard
Buster Carlisle
Greg Comeaux
Staci Cosby
Jana Freeman
Dustin Floyd
Keith Gates
Sarah Griffith
Tometrius Grier
Liz Hughes
Luke Hutchison
Jennifer Jensen
Linzie Ledford
Scott Manguno
Dustin Matthews
Mindy McConnell
Zack Pulliam
Melissa Snelling
Adam Stoll
Cade Strong
Torrey Washington
Absent
Patrick Peoples
Jeremy Malmay
Travis Williams

II. Executive Reports
Treasurer- Frank Toro
Thanks for coming. Go over budget. All we have is $769.63. Fiscal has got some bills up. Look over them.
Sarah Griffith walked in.
Vice President -Dustin Matthews
Good competition for the runnings. Filings are closed. Make sure if you are running, you read all the rules and regulations. You need to take your pictures. Have a good Spring Break.
President - Rusty Broussard
Welcome. Good turn out for runnings. You have to make your grades. There is a lot of bills up. Board of Regents is meeting Wednesday, and Board of Supervisors meets on Friday. If you would like to attend, please see me.

III. Departmental Reports
Academic Affairs- Stacie Cosby
Please do your Scantron Give-Away hours if you signed up for them. The "Pick a Prof" presentation will be next week. Faculty Senate meeting will be after Spring Break. Please support this. The Calendar Committee is still underway.
External Affairs- Greg Comeaux
Radio Show will be from 9-12 on Tuesdays. April 4th will be Meet Your Senator Day. Everyone is required to work one hour for that.
Fiscal Affairs- Frank Toro
Flight Team has asked for money. It is on Emergency status. Crew Team, In-Line-Hockey team, and Lacrosse teams will be up.
Internal Affairs- Dustin Floyd
Separation of Powers Bill is up. Patrick Peoples is up for removal next week.
Student Affairs- Buster Carlisle
Traffic and Safety is working on the lighting at Varnado. We have decided to give the letters to the Chief of police to hand to the officers about the double ticket problem.
SAB Report- Beau Boudreaux
Easter egg Hunt from 5-7pm on Tues. March 19th . It is for the non-traditional students and their kids. It will be at the IM. If you live in Bossier, there is a BBQ at the ROTC field coming up. The next Coffee House will be on the 18th. Dinner With the Demons will be on April 11th from 6p-8p. It will be lots of fun. SAB elections were last Monday and Wednesday. Quincy was elected President, Lacey was elected Vice President.
Advisor's Report- Mr. Henry
We are glad to see so many people filed. We need volunteers to work the poles the 2nd week in April. It is going to take a while to vote, so get the word out.
Supreme Court Report- Supreme Court Justice
Everything is great.
Adam Pennell walked in.

IV. Old Business
Bill SP02-007 up dealing with ID compatible vending machines. Beau Boudreaux moves to approve, Zack Pulliam seconds. Greg moves to amend SP0-007, Jana Freeman seconds. Motion passes by role call vote 22-0-2.
Bill SP0-008 up dealing with feminine hygiene. Greg Comeaux moves to approve, Jana Freeman seconds. Motion passes by role call vote 23-1-0.
Bill SP02-009 was withdrawn for changes.
Scott Manguno moves to pass Bill SP02-010 by general consent, Beau Boudreaux seconds. The bill was discussed, then Buster Carlisle moves to table the bill, Greg Comeaux seconds. Motion passes by show of hands.
Bill SP02-011 dealing with part-time student fees up. Mindy McConnell moves to approve, Liz Hughes seconds. Greg Comeaux moves to amend the bill to state " ...In order for students to receive a SGA scholarship, he/she must be a full time student enrolled in 12 or more hours". Jana Freeman seconds. Motion fails by show of hands 3-14-7.
Buster Carlisle moves to table SP0-011 until a survey can be conducted. Zack Pulliam seconds. Motion passes by role call vote 22-2-0.
Bill SP02-012 dealing with the Separation of Powers up. Zack Pulliam moves to approve, Beau Boudreaux seconds. Motion fails 14-7-3. Keith Gates moves to reconsider bill SP02-012, Jana Freeman seconds.
Adam Stoll left the room.
Greg Comeaux moves to approve SP02-012, Mindy McConnell seconds. Motion fails by role call vote 16-7-0.
Bill SP02-013 up. Greg Comeaux moves to approve, Jana Freeman seconds.
Torrey Washington moves to table SP02-013, Liz Hughes seconds. Motion passes by show of hands 16-7-0.
Bill SP02-014 dealing with In-Line-Hockey is up, A representative from the team spoke to the Senate. Torrey Washington moves to approve the bill, Jennifer Jensen seconds. Motion passes by role call vote 23-0-0.

V. New Business
Bill SP02-020 is up and on emergency status dealing with the Flight Team. Greg Comeaux moves to approve, Buster Carlisle seconds. Greg Comeaux moves to amend SP02-020 to say March 18th in place of April 3rd. Zack Pulliam seconds. Motion passes by show of hands 23-0-0. Greg Comeaux moves to approve the amended bill, Buster Carlisle seconds, motion passes by role call vote 23-0-0.

VI. Announcements
More legislation needs to be written. If you are running, you need to have your picture taken by this Tuesday. Please try to keep the office clean. Get your bills to Rusty to sign!

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 pm.



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NSU Crew

Rent-a-Rower will be available again this semester. E-mail your order to rent_a_rower@hotmail.com. Rent-a-Rower is open to NSU faculty and students. For more information contact Charles C. Percy, NSU Crew vice president, at 357-5921.

Student Government Association

The **SGA** is looking for new members. There are five positions for senator and one position for supreme court. Students interested in filling these positions should stop by Room 222 of the Student Union.

First Baptist Church

The **First Baptist Church** of Natchitoches will have a free lunch and Bible study every Sunday following their 11 a.m. service. The First Baptist Church of Natchitoches is located on 508 Second St.

Catholic Student Organization

The **CSO** will have a theology study and faith sharing Sunday nights at 8, followed by the 9:30 Mass. Bible Study is every Tuesday night at 8, and Fellowship is every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m., followed by a free meal. Everyone is welcome. For more info, contact Amy Dowden at 352-2615.

Baptist Collegiate Ministry

The **BCM** will have Wednesday night worship across the street from Watson Library every week. The worship begins at 8:31. All students are welcome to attend. The BCM also has a $1 lunch encounter on Thursdays from 11:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. For more information call the BCM at 352-5464.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes

FCA will be having its weekly fellowship every Tuesday night. The meetings are held in the athletic field house on the south end of Turpin Stadium at 8. There will be a devotional speaker each week. Everyone is welcome.

In last week's edition of the Current Sauce, Rondray Hill found it necessary to attack my running mate and I with lies about our character, and lame commentary. The truth is Mr. Hill does not even really know either of us. He has simply chosen to dislike us for personal reasons.

It is apparent that journalistic integrity and ethics mean very little to Mr. Hill. How can we expect fair coverage for the next month leading up to elections, when the editor of the paper comes out against us the week filings open? The public experiences the campaign through the lens of the media. But this lens is not a crystal-clear window on the political world, but rather a warped prism, refracting biases and distortions.

That is why the "Floyd-Carlisle Campaign 2002 Committee" has decided to purchase this add space for the next few weeks so we are assured that we get a fair chance to represent the truth. Our record is proven, that is why over the next few weeks we will be listing names of the people who have decided to officially endorse us. **You see Rondray may not support our campaign, but we will list a few of the student leaders who do.**

Dustin G. Floyd

"I support Dustin and Buster in the up-coming elections. They will do a great job."

Leslie Bean
SGA Senator
Panhellenic President

"Having worked with these two candidates in the past, I have no doubt that this ticket is the best qualified to fulfill the duties expected of their high-ranking offices."

Matthew Comeaux
Former SGA Senator 1997-2001
Louisiana Scholars College Alumni

"I support Dustin Floyd and Buster Carlisle in the up-coming SGA Presidential elections. I have worked with both of these individuals in the past and know that they will work to support the NSU student body to the best of their ability."

Dustin Matthews
SGA Vice-President
Sigma Nu Vice-President

Criminal Justice Day

From page 1

about applying to be in law enforcement and also how to apply," Zito said.

Irving Texas Police Lt. Byron Keyes said, "This is valuable to students because it provides an overview of various police departments, and some insight into particular departments." Irving's police department offers something not found in many other departments- a ride along program where visitors to the department can ride along with officers through the course of their daily activities.

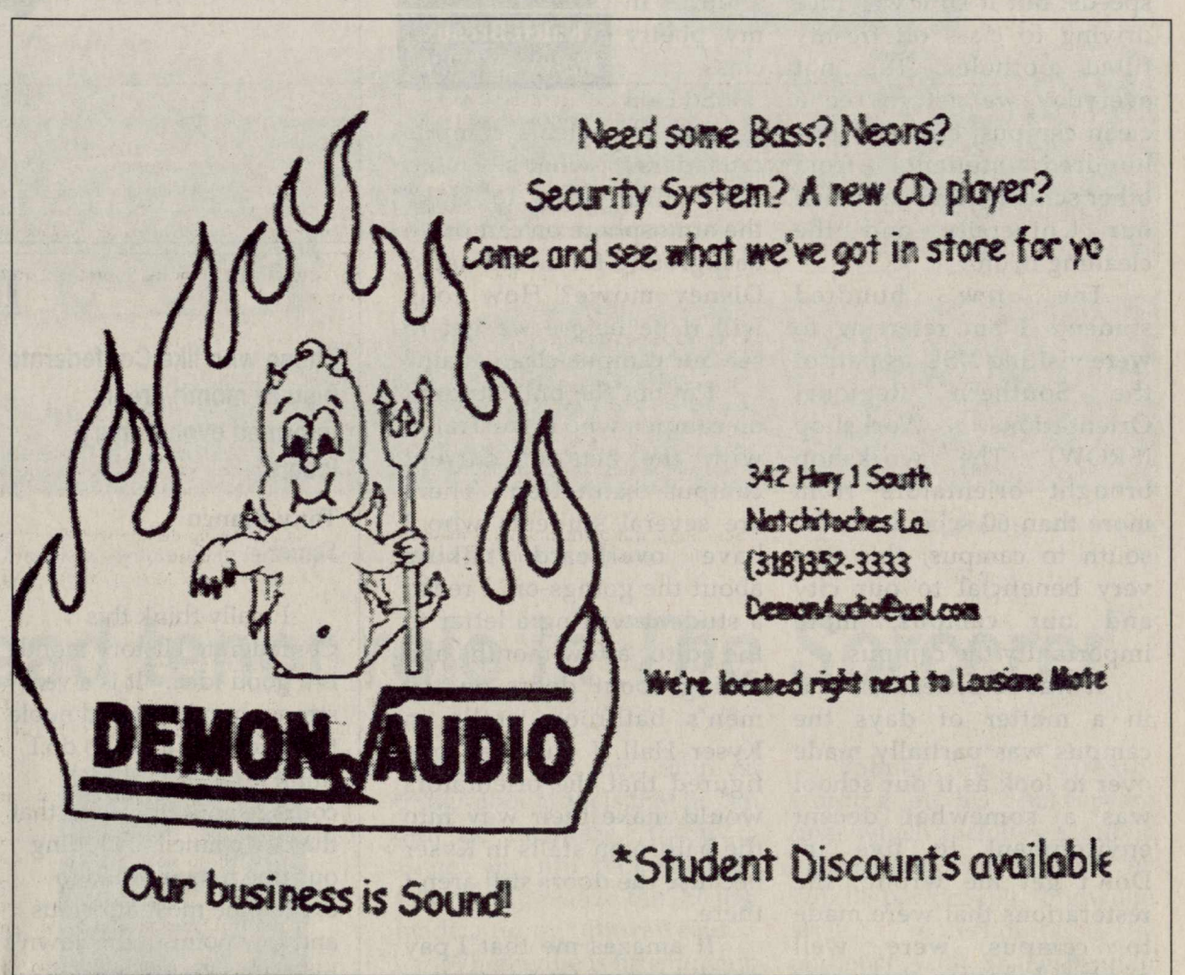
W.G. Lewis from the Overland Park police said, "Things like this are good because it provides people with more positive contact with officers. Usually people are worried about getting pulled over; in here it is more laidback."

Many students came to experience Criminal Justice Day, and some graduates returned to seek employment with a law enforcement agency. Blair Campbell, a criminal justice major, is interested in going into the FBI, and according to her, she was provided with the information she needed.

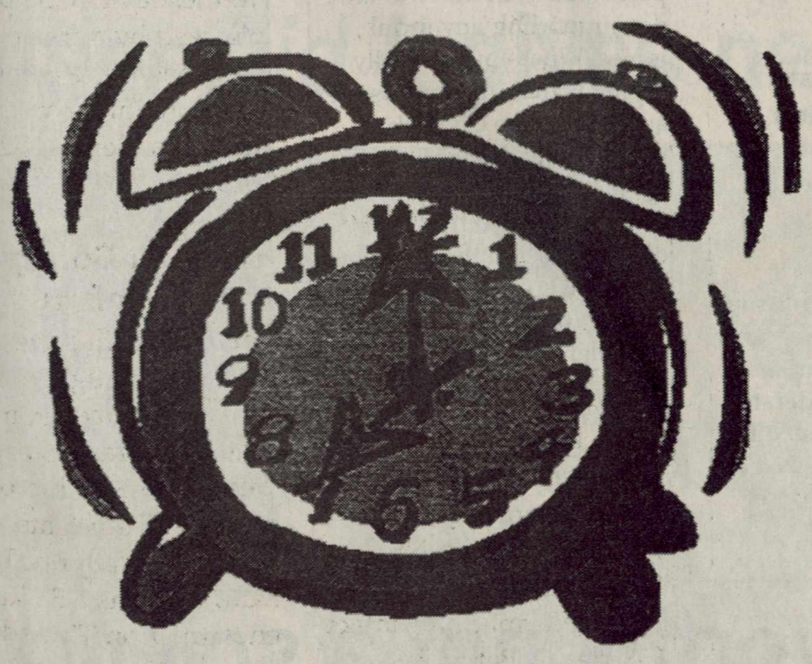
Brandon Johnson, a graduate of NSU, came from Texas to Criminal Justice Day.

"I used to come every year when I was in school here," Johnson said. "This is definitely something that could help people to decide to become involved in law enforcement."

Deputy Richard Corbett of the Caddo Parish Sheriff's Department said, "This is not only important to people who are already interested in law enforcement, but it is a chance for us to learn what the other agencies have to offer, new techniques for recruiting, and it helps inspire change in the way we do these things."



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Sauce*Column*

Clean up campus not just for SROW

By Kaleb Breaux
Managing Editor

Last week it was hard to get to class without being blasted by lawn mowers cutting grass at blazing speeds, but it sure was nice driving to class on freshly filled potholes. It's not everyday we get to see a clean campus, but let a few hundred students from other schools come and visit our University and the cleaning is on.

The few hundred students I am referring to were visiting NSU as part of the Southern Regional Orientation Workshop (SROW). The workshop brought orientators from more than 60 schools in the south to campus; this was very beneficial to our city and our campus, more importantly the campus.

It was so beneficial, that in a matter of days the campus was partially made over to look as if our school was a somewhat decent environment to live in. Don't get me wrong, the restorations that were made to campus were well needed, however, they were needed a long, long time ago.

The buildings on campus could have used new signs long before the SROW kids came into town. And the ceiling tiles in the Student Union also could have been replaced earlier than three days before the workshop.

I don't know about you guys, but the computerized sign in front of the Student Union is much easier to read now that all of the lights are working instead of the usual 15.

And finally, the newly planted flowers were a nice addition to our campus. They gave me a nice topic to write about in my poetry class.



Kaleb Breaux
Managing Editor

So I am asking you clean campus crusaders, what's next, mechanical birds to make the atmosphere on campus a background for an animated Disney movie? How long will it be before we get to see our campus clean again?

I'm not the only student on campus who is frustrated with the acts of current campus sanitation. There are several students who I have overheard talking about the goings-on. I recall a student writing a letter to the editor a few months ago asking about doors on the men's bathroom stalls in Kyser Hall. I guess no one figured that the orientators would make their way into the bathroom stalls in Kyser because the doors still aren't there.

It amazes me that I pay good money to go to this fine establishment and it is hard to get anyone to clean anything around here for me. Maybe NSU should think about changing our motto from "Where the students come first" to "Where other schools' students come first."

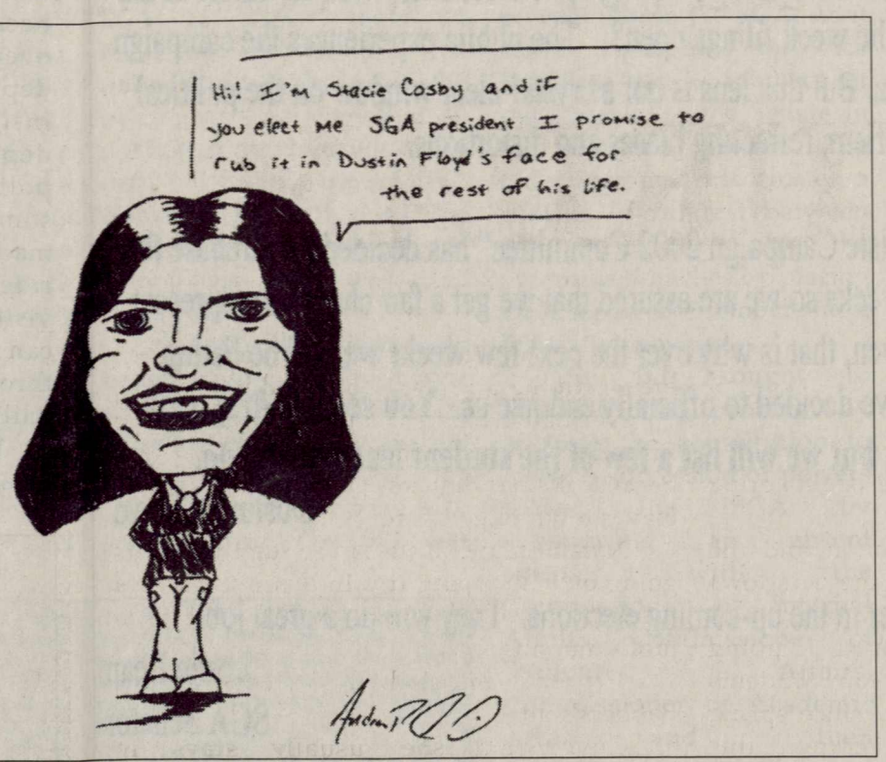
I hate to ruffle any feathers, but it would be nice to see more good things happening around our University. I guess we do have to start somewhere. I mean, this is a start right. So I am encouraging to "SROW me something" NSU. "SROW me something" nice.

Correction

The Current Sauce incorrectly reported last week SGA Senator Stacie Cosby wrote legislation concerning repairs to Morrison Hall. Greg Comeaux wrote the bill. Buster Carlisle and Luke Hutchinson were also attributed with each others' quotes.

***The Current Sauce* strives for accuracy, and tries to correct all errors as promptly as possible. Contact *The Current Sauce* at 357-5456 or e-mail us at currentsauce@hotmail.com to report all errors.**

Reality*Check* by Andrew David



Letters to the Editor

Those who like Confederate history month are 'ill informed evolutionary losers'

Tony Blanco
Senior

I really think this Confederate History month is a good Idea. It is a very strong, humbling and noble thing for this town to do.I think It takes a lot of courage and I'm proud that the city council, including our fine mayor voted to expose the most atrocious and low point in this town's history to the ridicule of people with brains. We have the opportunity to look with horror, at the childish and stupid behavior of our ancestors. It's like a German town having a Nazi fest. I think it's funny and kind of scary that those stupid people happen to include the mayor. And happen to be in the town where I live.

Nevertheless we should cherish this opportunity to look back at the pain and idiocy and be thankful. Thankful that we lost.

The people in this town who believe truly that the noble south will indeed rise again are ill informed evolutionary losers, on their way out like the dinosaurs. Human beings are indeed evolving, getting smarter every day, grasping new concepts that human beings in the age of the confederacy were wholly incapable of. Ideas like telephones, the internet, equality among men, personal freedom were obviously way beyond their grasp. Those people who wish things to be the way they were way back when, do so because they are incapable of adapting to the way things are now.

We shouldn't get angry with these people. It's not their fault. They just aren't smart enough to cope with being nice and respectful to another human being regardless of anything.

They don't understand the meaninglessness of a petty, insignificant thing like skin tone. Look at these shameless prideful people with pity. Look at the horrible things people did around here not too long ago and be thankful that they got beat down for six years until they wised up.

Look, see, the world is getting better as things go on. Every day more people wise up and act like human beings. The confederacy to me is a symbol of hope that maybe, the worst of people, doing the worst of thing won't own this world, forever.

I hope that more people will live up to the potential of humanity. It's a nice pipe dream, right?

Truth about Confederate History deserves its own month

Tom Townsend II
Senior

In your March 14th issue, you published a piece about the annual vote on April's designation as "Confederate History Month." As I read this story I was utterly amazed at the number of people upset by this proposal and apparently equally uninformed.

It has always been a fact, the victors in any conflict write the history. The Civil War is no exception to this rule. While it is true the Klan used the Confederate flag in later years in many things done by its members, this was not the original use for the flag.

The original reason for the Civil War and the Confederate flag, much like the original reason for our revolutionary war and the first American flag, was defiance against intolerable acts of an oppressor in those given times (i.e., Washington (the north) and King George (England), respectively.) Should we stop displaying the U.S. flag, or celebrating the Fourth of July if a group like the Klan or Black Panthers starts using it as their symbol?

So just to make things clear, those who fight to stop others from displaying the Confederate flag, or who try to prevent celebrations of a community's participation in this war are not supporting any racial issues. What you are really saying is that the oppression and abuses the Civil War was actually originally over are justifiable and right.

I applaud councilman Billy Evans and those on the council who supported the history month. It is great they had the courage and intestinal fortitude to stand for what is right and help see the Civil War is not successfully erased from human memory.

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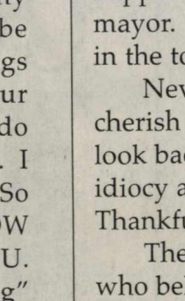
Deciding what is and is not newsworthy not a science

How do we decide which story gets placed where?

The answer to this question is simple—flip a coin.

Well, that's not exactly how it goes, but deciding the most important story of the week is dependent on the news judgment of the person in charge. News judgment is subjective; ask two people what the most important story of the week is, and you'll likely get two different answers.

News judgment is something that cannot taught. There is no class offered or books written on how to accurately describe what story is or is not important.



Rondray Hill
Editor's Take

In the March 7th edition of *The Current Sauce*, four stories made the front page. The top story was the Lady Demons playing in the Southland conference semi-finals against UT-Arlington.

A story about four students charged with drug trafficking and a story about repairs for Morrison Hall and the FACS building were in the middle of the page, and at the bottom of the page was a story about Melissa Ann Gooden, an NSU student who was killed in a car accident.

I've heard from many of you who believe the order of those stories was wrong; a student's death should be more important than a basketball game, and that the March 7th edition only showed how backwards *The Current Sauce*'s priorities are.

To those of you who, we would have gotten it right had we given Gooden's story the lead and placed the Lady Demon basketball story further down on the page. But that's the problem with news judgment—nobody is wrong.

The importance of any story is relative to the person who reads it. For every person who wanted to read the story about Gooden, there's a person who wanted to read something else. Maybe it was the story about the four former students who were arrested on drug charges, or maybe they wanted to read the story about the basketball game.

The point is, there are no right or wrong answers in news judgment.

On behalf of *The Current Sauce*, I want to assure the student body that we did not intend to give the impression that the death of a student is important only when there aren't any important women's basketball games going on. The decision to make the basketball game the lead story was mine, so all blame can be directed at me.

And that's where you come in. Tell us when you disagree with any of our news judgment decisions. *The Current Sauce* cannot become a better paper unless we know where we need to improve. Use our mail addresses and call our phone numbers. If you have a concern and you see me on campus, feel free to stop me.

You are as much a part of this newspaper as I am.

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Daily Entertainment Ideas

SATURDAY Road Trip

By **Callie Reames**
Sauce Reporter

Did someone say "road trip"? What a great way to end this week and begin spring break.

Gas is about $1.25 per gallon and the weather is ideal for putting the windows down.

Going home, going on a trip, going shopping or going out is how many students will finish out their week, and since spring break is right around the corner, this Saturday will be more traveled than normal Saturdays.

"How about getting out of this hellish town?" freshman business major Jamie Seotto suggested about ways to spend a Saturday in Natchitoches.

"I'm driving to Panama City Beach with 12 other people for seven days," Seotto said about this Saturday. A week in the sun surrounded by fun could be a little over some students' budgets, but the wind and waves are worth the price for Seotto and his friends.

Normally, Seotto would go out to the Pinnacle with his friends on a Saturday night because it's not that crowded. Other times he leaves town to go home.

Natalie Guye, a junior biology major, is going on a shopping trip in Bossier City this weekend with her cousin Taquela Babbers, a junior nursing major.

"I need some clothes, so I have to go," Babbers said.

Guye said she usually stays in Natchitoches but doesn't really like to. During those weekends that her friends also remain in town, they might decide to go out.

"Sometimes we go to Illuminations," Guye said.

So this Saturday, have fun. It's the beginning of a much-needed vacation from classes, due dates, professors and NSU parking. Be careful. Be safe. Be back for all the fun that Natchitoches has to offer.

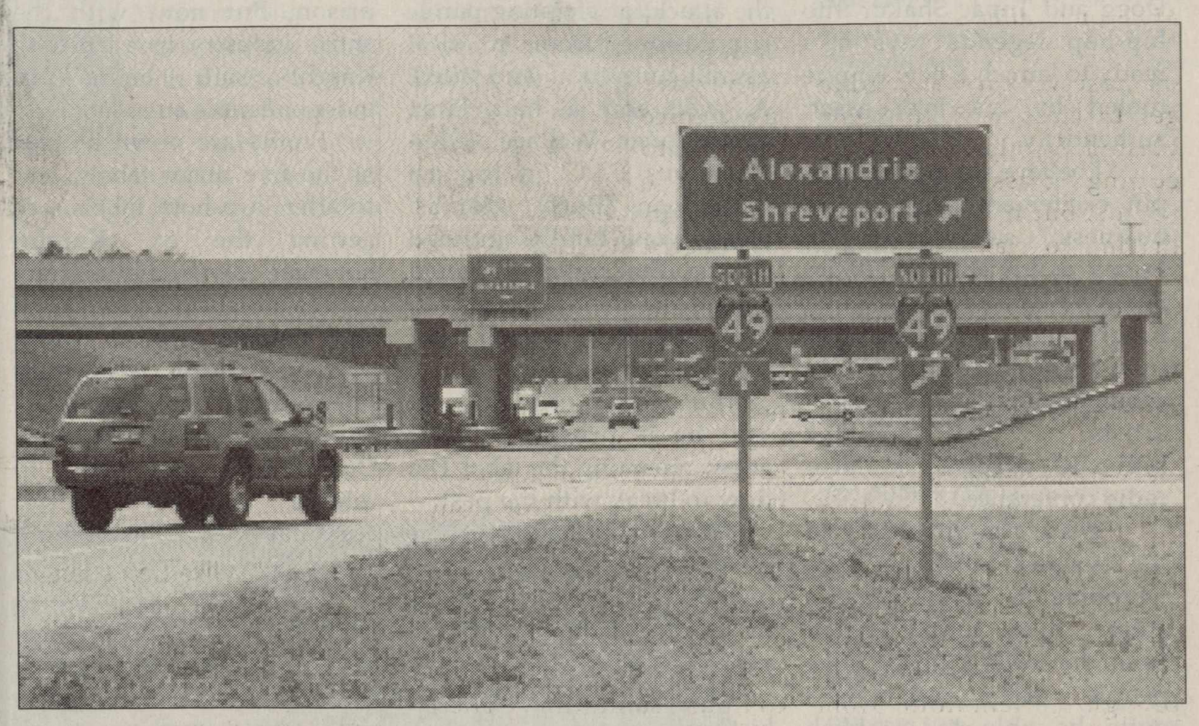


Photo by Callie Reames

Travelers venture off to faraway lands toward northern Louisiana.

Theater student Palmer snags lead tenor role in *The Sorcerer*

By **Britton Faucon**
Sauce Reporter

"You know when you watch a movie or listen to a chord in a song and you get that chill that runs down your spine and through your body?" James Palmer, a junior theater major, inquired.

"That is what I want to do. That's my inspiration."

Palmer performed the lead tenor role in the Shreveport Gilbert and Sullivan production of The Sorcerer March 14-17.

"*The Sorcerer* was a good experience," Palmer said.

"It was intense."

Palmer had not studied music prior to his arrival at NSU in 1998. He said he began college majoring in music, but switched to theater after a year.

"He came to theater late. For someone who has only been at it a couple of years he has made great progress," Jack Wann, coordinator of NSU theater, said.

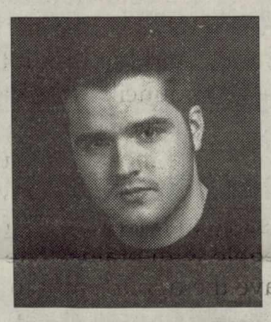
"To have accomplished some of the roles he has accomplished is pretty amazing."

Wann directed Palmer in his role as Andrew Undershaft for last semester's NSU theater production of Major Barbara.

Wann said that it was one of the most demanding roles Palmer has ever done.

"His role was phenomenally long. Playing an older role he pulled it off really well for being an undergrad student," Wann said.

Scott Burrell, a NSU theatre director, has worked with Palmer as well and said that he is an extremely talented actor with a great sense of music.



Palmer

"He can write as well as act," Burrell said.

"Even though he is very serious on stage, he has a great sense of humor," Karen Burns, a senior theater major, said.

"One of the funniest things about him is that he can out of nowhere, throw a zinger in. You will keep on talking and realize that he just made a funny," Burrell said.

Whether he is brushing up on his Shakespeare in one of his classes or listening to music from his collection of over 500 CDs, Palmer maintains a busy lifestyle.

"My weeks are basically like one long day. [With] lines to learn, songs to learn, homework," Palmer explained. "It is like Dr. Wann always says; the busier you are, the more you do."

Palmer is currently working on his Shakespeare final which includes a public performance. Palmer said he will be performing "big willie style," entertaining the audience with Shakespearian hip-hop with his friend John Chambers in the latter part of April.

Palmer will also appear in Lines in the Sand, a NSU theater original production, scheduled for April 24-27.

"I think given the right set of circumstances and the right amount of work, Broadway shows will not be out of range for him one day," Wann said.

Natchitoches Community Theater production *The Butler Did It* gives new actresses success in plays



Photo by Callie Reames

(From left) Elaine Johnson, Lindsey Hicks, Mary Richmond and Roy Davis present Mary Richmond with balloons on her birthday after the production of The Butler Did It.

By **Kristen Dauzat**
Life Editor

The Natchitoches Community Theater performed the play *The Butler Did It* several times throughout the month of March.

The cast consisted of several NSU students and faculty member Roy Davis.

NSU students MacKenzie Deshotel, Lindsey Hicks and Kristen Todd all performed for their first time in the theater.

The play's storyline concentrated on trying to find an evil murderer after the tragic murder of Rick Carlyle, a character in the play. In the end, the quiet, sweet butler is discovered as the murderer.

The play had a very warm atmosphere, and its small setting allowed the audience to feel as if they were almost a part of the play. The living room set produced a very aesthetic, homely feeling.

There were only around 50 seats for public viewing. The room was very small but comfortable.

Freshman Nick Cortez eagerly went to see the play because he knew some friends of his that were part of the cast.

"I'm expecting to get a few laughs out of it,"Cortez said.

He thought the idea of seeing his friends act was very humorous.

Freshman MacKenzie Deshotel said that the play took up a lot of time, and stresses that it "takes away your social life."

"We had practice every night for about four hours for the past two months," Deshotel said.

Freshman Jason Stelley was excited about seeing the play.

"It's some of our friends' first play, and we want to see them try to act," Stelley said.

Freshman Amanda Koob thought that the play was funny and entertaining. She enjoyed the small, simple setting and outgoing cast of characters.

The Natchitoches Community Theater puts on several community productions throughout the year. Roles are open to the public, and if anyone is interested in becoming a member, you can contact Dave Richmond at 352-0669.

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Suge Knight says he has a new vision for hip-hop

Courtesy Knight Ridder Newspapers

Five years in prison might have taken hip-hop impresario Suge Knight off the street, but it didn't take the street out of Suge.

Seven months after being sprung from California's Mule Creek State Prison, where he served time for violating parole, the man who made Dr. Dre, Snoop Doggy Dogg and Tupac Shakur into hip-hop legends says he's ready to launch a new empire fueled by his best asset: authenticity.

"I believe we are going to put excitement back in this business," said Knight on Friday in his suite at Miami Beach's Fontainebleau Hilton. Knight and other executives from his label were in town to promote their new roster of artists at the Billboard/Airplay Monitor radio conference.

"There's nothing new in the business now," he said, wrapping his lips around a stogie. "I'm taking talent from the inner cities. I gave people reality, and now I gotta be able to establish distribution for these guys in the ghetto. We have power because we have street credibility."

Before his prison sentence, Knight's Death Row Records was pushing $100 million of gangsta rap a year. The songs, filled with lyrics about shoot outs, fights with cops and hard-core womanizing, lift Knight into hip-hop lore, and heaps of controversy.

A widely reported feud between West Coast and East Coast rappers came to a deadly head in 1996, when Tupac Shakur, one of Knight's top stars and closest friends, was shot to death in a car near the Las Vegas strip. Knight was sitting beside him. Hours earlier, the two had attacked a member of the Crips gang in a casino.

Knight was indicted after the attack for violating parole stipulations from a 1994 assault conviction, and jailed. A year and a half later, Christopher Wallace, AKA Notorious B.I.G., a top act with Sean "Puffy" Combs' label, was fatally gunned down. The police targeted Knight in the investigation, but eventually dropped it for lack of evidence.

But today, Knight, 36, said he is primed to start anew, renaming the label Tha Row to break with the past.

"Too many people in this business are living off of history," he said. "I don't like to see people living off the past. It's only right to give new artist a chance to make history."

His new artist roster includes Crooked I and four other acts Knight is priming to cultivate into stars.

"It's gangsta, definitely," he said. "How can we avoid what we are, what are culture is? How can we talk about caviar and golf when we aren't eating caviar and playing golf?"

Snoop and Dre left Death Row, and the label was dropped by Time Warner after Knight was sent to prison. But now, with the entire industry in a tailspin, Knight said being an independent is an asset.

Profits are down at four of the five major labels, and smaller hip-hop labels are getting the ax. Knight, however, owns the masters and cataloges of all of Death Row's music.

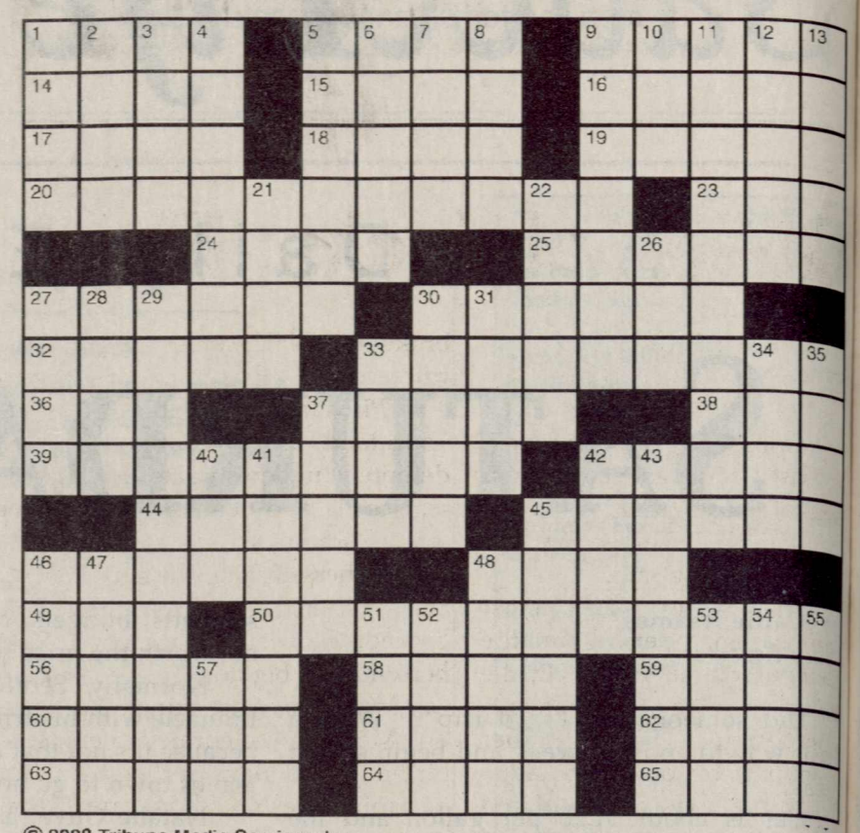
Tha Row recently released a collection of Snoop's greatest hits with Death Row, and plans to release another Tupac compilation in the coming months.

"For me, it's always about being in control," he said. "I have nothing against the majors, but I would rather sell records from my trunk before being a slave."

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Queen of Jacks; Mancuso breaks NSU homer record

By Rondray Hill
Editor

Erin Mancuso is 5-foot-7, at least according to the Demon softball media guide.

"5-6, 5-7, something like that," Mancuso said.

She's not the most intimidating person in the Demon softball lineup. In the batter's box, Mancuso nonchalantly rests her aluminum bat on her shoulder. It's a bat that, when placed beside her, is about half her height.

In other words, she doesn't look like the person who just broke the NSU career home run record.

"Pitchers not in the Southland conference definitely underestimate her," teammate and leadoff hitter Annie Johnston said. "She carries herself like she's 6-2. She's collected, she doesn't get excited. She definitely carries herself like a big dog."

Mancuso, who turned 22 on Monday, celebrated her birthday two days earlier by becoming the NSU home run queen in a 4-1 win over McNeese Saturday. Mancuso's blast, a towering shot that traveled nearly 30 feet more than the 220 required, gave her 31 for her career, surpassing Ginger Craig's 14-year-old mark. She repeated in the second game of the doubleheader, hitting her 32nd home run in a 7-4 loss later that night.

"My mom was excited," Mancuso said. "She was jumping up and down, hollering and screaming. Afterwards we had a birthday and celebration party. It was a good gift."

Mancuso's home run total now rests at 32, two shy of the conference-record 34 set Saturday by UTSA catcher Michelle McElyea. The two are in a McGwire/Sosa race to see who can finish with the most home runs come the end of the season. The Demons have 15 games left this season; UTSA has 16.

Mancuso's March

As of March 21, Mancuso has hit 32 career home runs. UTSA Catcher Michelle McElyea has 34.

Head coach Ty Singleton has seen what Mancuso can do when others doubt her abilities.

"Some pitchers may have underestimated her before, but they don't now," Singleton said. "She has a good swing, a good bat, and when she gets a hold of a pitch, she rips it."

Mancuso and the Demons are in a three-way tie for second place in the conference. Thanks in large part to Mancuso, the Demons are fourth in the conference in home runs.

"Her body language is intimidating," Johnston said. "She's focused, and she gets the job done. You definitely don't want to pitch to her."

Soccer adds new signee, Ashley Hadley, to recruiting class list

Head coach Jimmy Mitchell and the NSU Demon soccer team welcomed another signee, Ashley Hadley of Liberty Township, Ohio, to the 2002 signing class.

After a disappointing 2001 season that found the Demons with a 6-9-2 record, Mitchell is looking for a return to the success of 2000. The Demons won the 2000 Southland Conference and SLC Tournament with a 15-8 overall record, and Mitchell was named the SLC and Louisiana Coach of the Year.

"We are happy to add another player that can come in and compete," Mitchell said, entering his fourth season at Northwestern. "Our 2002 class will have a chance to play as freshmen and really contribute."

Hadley is a 5-7 forward from Lakota West High School. A three-year soccer letterman, she helped her team to the Ohio state championship as a sophomore and a No. 16 national ranking. Her team finished as a state regional finalist her senior year and No. 13 national ranking.

"I am really excited about Ashley," said Mitchell. "She brings a lot of athleticism to the field. She is a diamond in the rough but with development will take us to the next level."

Hadley will be joined at NSU next season by 2002 signees Ashlee Bucher, Katie Crona, Rachel Folk, Stephanie Miller, Heather Penico, Karrina Popov and Tara Powasnick.

The Demons lost six seniors but return eight starters for 2002.

"We are definitely excited about the players we have coming in," Mitchell said. "We have some holes to fill with the seniors we lost but we have some talent ready to move into their place."

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Baseball



Photo by Glenn Ward

Demon Pitcher Kenny Homann is know for his GPA as much as he is known for his curveball. The would-be Physics grad passed up graduation to take more classes just so he could play more baseball.

What do you do when you want to play baseball but it's time to graduate? Do what Kenny did-- take more classes

By Janie Warren
Sauce Reporter

"Kenny Homann is an incredible person and an outstanding team player," Demon head baseball coach Mitch Gaspard said with pride while describing his senior pitcher.

Gaspard has many reasons to refer to Homann as such an outstanding person. Other than being a member of the baseball team, Homann is also a member of the adjunct faculty for physics, teaching two labs, and is currently a full-time student in the Louisiana Scholars' College.

The amazing catch to Homann's story is that he actually finished his classes in May 2001. Because of a leg injury, Homann was unable to play his last season at NSU, so he decided to come back and play this season.

"Kenny had an opportunity to take jobs after he graduated, but he opted to come back and play," Gaspard said. "His commitment to the team is definitely appreciated."

Homann has not only been an asset to the baseball team, but to the physics department as well, including obtaining three grants for the department to get lab equipment.

"I just feel that I've

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See *Kenny Story*

Win streak reaches 15, Texas A&M-Corpus Christi next

By Janie Warren
Sauce reporter

The NSU Demon baseball team successfully defeated the University of Lousiana-Monroe in the conference games played last weekend, giving the team a 15-game winning streak.

The Demons (17-2, 3-0 SLC) swept all three games against ULM during the beginning of the SLC series. This conference game resulted in ULM's first loss of an entire sweep in five years.

With an ending score of 12-5 Sunday, the Demons showed strengths in the games against the Indians. The team saw a significant rise in the score after every game last weekend.

"Our starting and defense have been outstanding," Demon head baseball coach Mitch Gaspard said. " Normally in conference games, pitching is better on Friday and Saturday, but we have three good starters."

Currently, the Demons are on the verge of being noted for keeping the nation's longest winning streak. Their record have made them close to breaking the Top 25 rankings by ESPN and USA Today.

Demons Ranked

Demon baseball ranked No.23 in the latest Baseball America Top 25 poll.

The Demons are scheduled to play Texas A&M Corpus Christi today at 4 p.m. and they will continue a three-game series at home beginning Friday at 7 p.m. against Lamar.

"Lamar went to SWT last weekend and won 2 out of 3," Gaspard said. "They have good pitching, and it will take the same effort from us to win these games."

Sauce Stats

Baseball

Standings	W	L	%
1)Northwestern State	**3**	**0**	**1.0**
2)Nicholls State	2	1	.667
3)SLU	2	1	.667
4)Lamar	2	1	.667
5)UT-Arlington	2	1	.667
6)SWT	1	2	.333
7)UT-San Antonio	1	2	.333
8)McNeese State	1	2	.333
9)Sam Houston	1	2	.333
10)Louisiana-Monroe	0	3	.000

Wild Pitches (SLC)

1)Makowsky, Carl, NSU	**8**
2)Sawicki, Bobby, SWT	7
3)Martel, Craig, MCN	5
4)Prejean, Mike, NICH	5
5)3 tied at	4

Hit Batters (SLC)

1)Slanina, Jason, NSU	**11**
2)Snapp, Michael, UTA	6
3)7 tied at	5

ERA (SLC)

1)Northwestern State	**2.51**
2)Texas-San Antonio	4.23
3)Southeastern La	4.45
4)Nicholls State	4.65
5)Lamar	4.69

Did you know...

...Demon LF Brad Hanson won Southland conference hitter of the week honors? Hanson batted .583, including a home run and a triple, and stole three bases last week.

Softball

Standings	W	L	%
1)Southwest Texas	11	1	.966
2)Northwestern State	**6**	**3**	**.666**
3)Texas-San Antonio	**6**	**3**	**.666**
4)McNeese State	6	3	.666
5)UTA	5	4	.555
6)SELU	3	6	.333
7)Nicholls State	2	4	.333
8)Sam Houston	3	6	.333
9)Louisiana-Monroe	2	7	.222
10)SFA	1	8	.111

Home Runs (NSU Career)

1)Mancuso, Erin (1999-01)	**32**
2)Craig, Ginger (1985-89)	**30**
3)Kenney, Brandy (1997-2000)	**22**
4)Allen, Becca (1995-98)	**16**
5)Carraway, Misty (1993-97)	**12**
6)Williams, Kita (1995-99)	**12**

Triples (NSU Season)

1)Johnston,Annie (2002)	**7**
2)Craig, Ginger (1987)	**6**
3)Johnston,Annie (2001)	**5**
4)Grisham,Ashley (1993)	**5**
5)Craig, Ginger (1988)	**5**

Stolen Bases (NSU Records)

1) 2002 Team	**119**
2) 2001 Team	**113**
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Did you know...

...Demon Pitcher Amanda Ortego's middle name is Marie?
...Demon 1B Erin Mancuso went to Stephen F. Austin? Stephen F. Austin High School in Sugarland, Texas.

Tennis

UTA 7
NSU 0
3/17/02

Doubles

Schappacher/Cizova (UTA) d. Young/Zerwick, 8-4

Warren/Vetrovcova (UTA) d. Wallace/Conway, 8-0

Dressler/Stepanova (UTA) d. Nieto/Luu, 8-4

Singles

Cizova (UTA) d. Young, 6-1, 6-0

Schappacher (UTA) d. Zerwick, 7-6, 3-6 (6-0)

Stepnova (UTA) d. Wallace, 6-2, 6-0

Dressler (UTA) d. Nieto, 6-2, 6-3

Warren (UTA) d. Prado 6-4, 6-0

Parra (UTA) d. Luu, 6-3, 6-1

Next Match
vs. Lamar, 3/23/02
10 a.m.

Did you know...

...Tennis head coach WIllie Paz played for the Demon tennis team when they were ranked as high as No.16 in the nation in the mid-1970s?

Kenny Story

been blessed and very fortunate to have teachers and coaches that have helped me to exceed," Homann said. "Hopefully I will be able to apply those things to the rest of my life."

Homann will graduate this spring. He said he plans to apply for graduate school to obtain his master's degree in physics.

Gaspard said there are many who will miss Homann, including his teammates.

"He's like having a good coach in the dugout," Gaspard said. "He will definitely help us win games down the stretch, even when he's not here."

National*Sports*

Cinderella or not, underdogs love tournament spotlight

By Jerry Brewer
The Orlando Sentinel

They really have no use for this Cinderella moniker, it being so 1985 Villanova and all.

Go ahead, though, if you want, and put Kent State and Southern Illinois into that box. Give them more motivation. Just beware that they may stuff a glass slipper down your favorite team's championship hopes.

"Do we want to be called a Cinderella?" Kent State guard Demetric Shaw asks, repeating a question. "If it gets us more calls, why not?"

Other than that, toss the Cinderella label out of the way, and put it somewhere next to Alabama, Oklahoma State, Texas Tech and Georgia. Those are the programs these two schools defeated to get to the Sweet 16.

The Golden Flashes and Salukis, have become the darlings of this NCAA Tournament, two schools with small reputations dancing with more rhythm and pizzazz than most expected.

Kent State (29-5), the No. 10 seed in the South, meets third-seeded Pittsburgh tonight at Rupp Arena at about 10:10 p.m. Southern Illinois (28-7), the No. 11 seed in the East, plays second-seeded Connecticut on Friday.

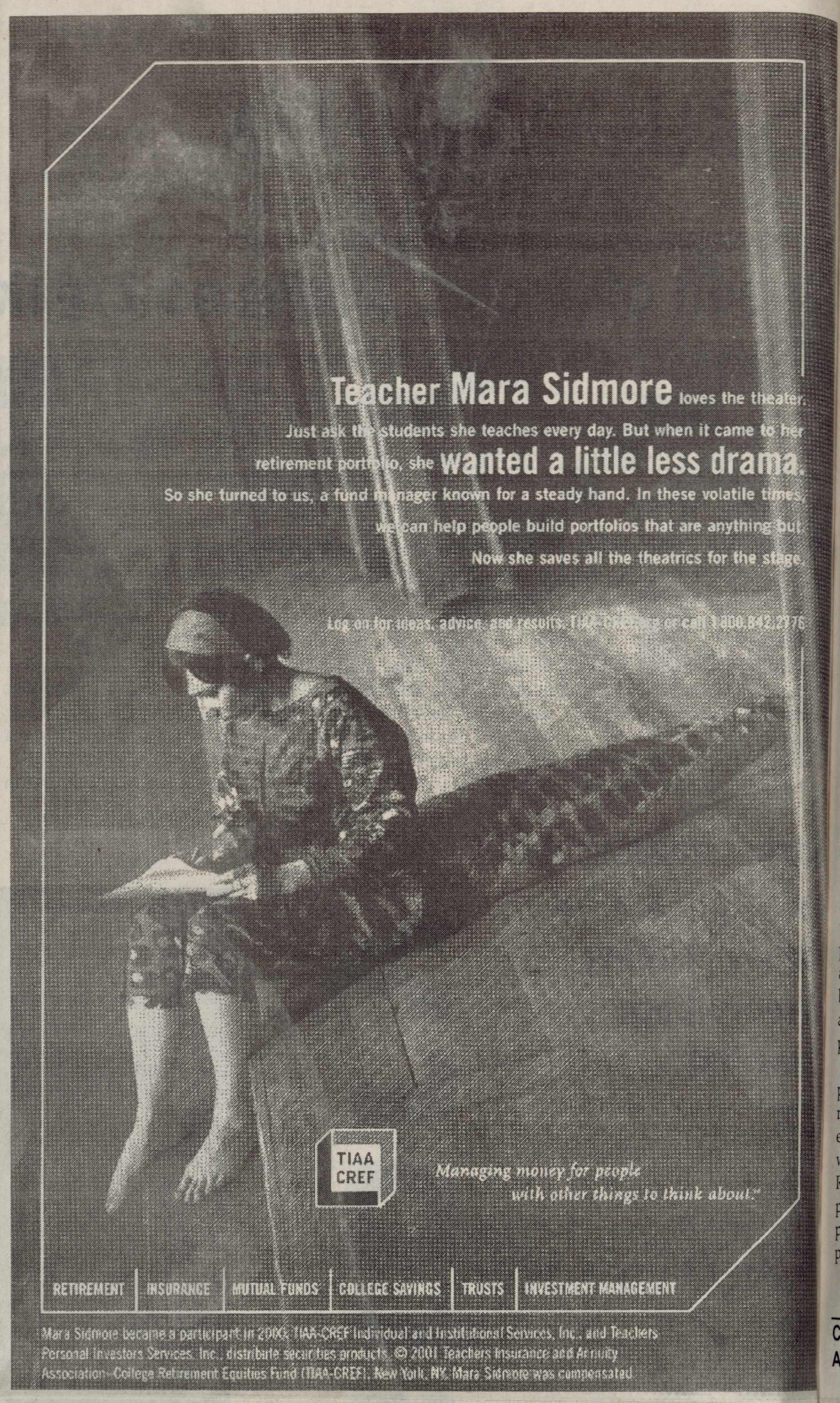
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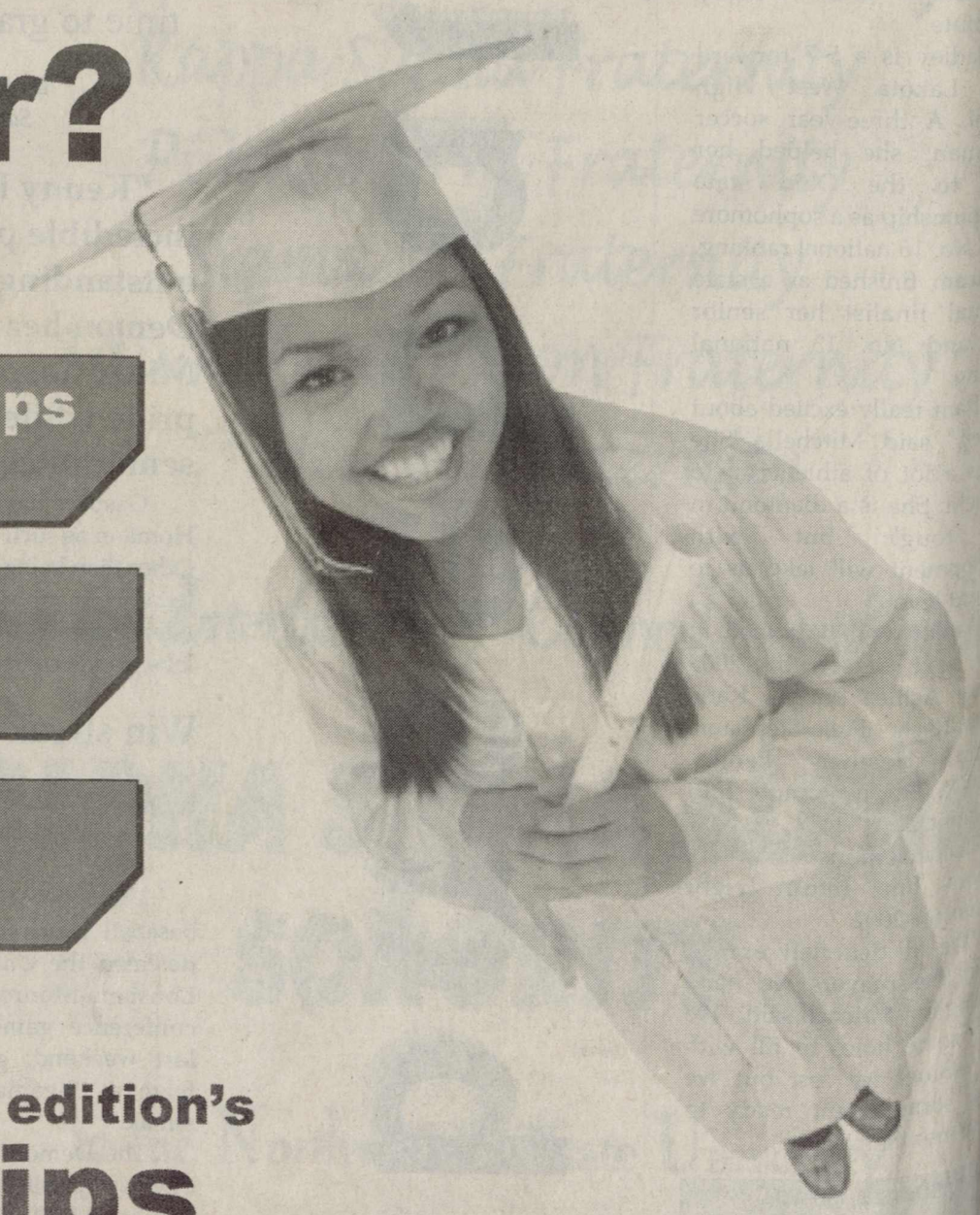
Applications may be obtained in the Department of Journalism office, room 103 Kyser Hall, between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Completed applications must be returned to Mrs. McNeely in room 103 by noon. Friday, April 12

Potential applicants should check the 2002 Student handbook for qualifications before submitting an application. Questions can be answered by Neil Ralston at 357-4439



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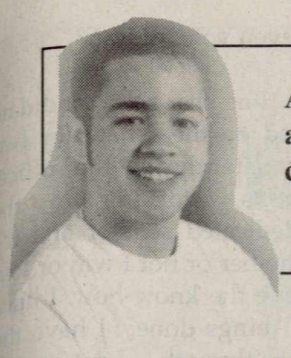


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Demon leadoff hitter Annie Johnston

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ULM

ULM may cut nine degree programs from school

courtesy The Pow Wow online

Interim President Tom Rakes traveled to Baton Rouge to discuss a plan designed to help solve the university's financial woes that involves the cutting of nine-degree programs in several ULM academic departments. The Board of Regents has yet to approve of all the potential program cuts.

"By cutting these degree programs, it will enable us to reallocate resources for essential educational areas within the university," said Rakes. He cited that the degree program cuts would take place over a three to five year period.

Abeline

Crash kills five students from Abilene Christian University

ABILENE, Texas-- Abilene Christian University was grieving Sunday night for five Nigerian students killed Easter morning when their sport utility vehicle veered off Interstate 20 and crashed upside down onto a concrete embankment in Parker County, Texas.

The students – all from Lagos, Nigeria – were pronounced dead at the scene near Weatherford, authorities said.

The driver was identified as Kolawole Oluwagbemiga Sami, 18. The passengers were identified as Iyadunni Oluwaseun Bakare, 18; Abimbola Orija 19; Toluwalope Olorunsola 18; and Olutomi Aruwajoye 17.

More than 250 students, faculty and staff gathered at the university's chapel Sunday evening for an impromptu prayer service as word of the tragedy spread. Students lit candles in memorial and shared stories and embraces.

UC-Irvine

California orders students studying in Israel to return

SANTA ANA, Calif. - The University of California on Tuesday ordered its remaining students in Israel to come home in the wake of a U.S. State Department warning against traveling in the troubled region.

University of California-Irvine student Heather Pobiner, 20, is among the 27 University of California Education Abroad students completing a year's study who had not already voluntarily left the country.

Her mother, Marilyn Pobiner of San Diego, said her daughter will be returning home within the next week from her junior year studying English literature at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

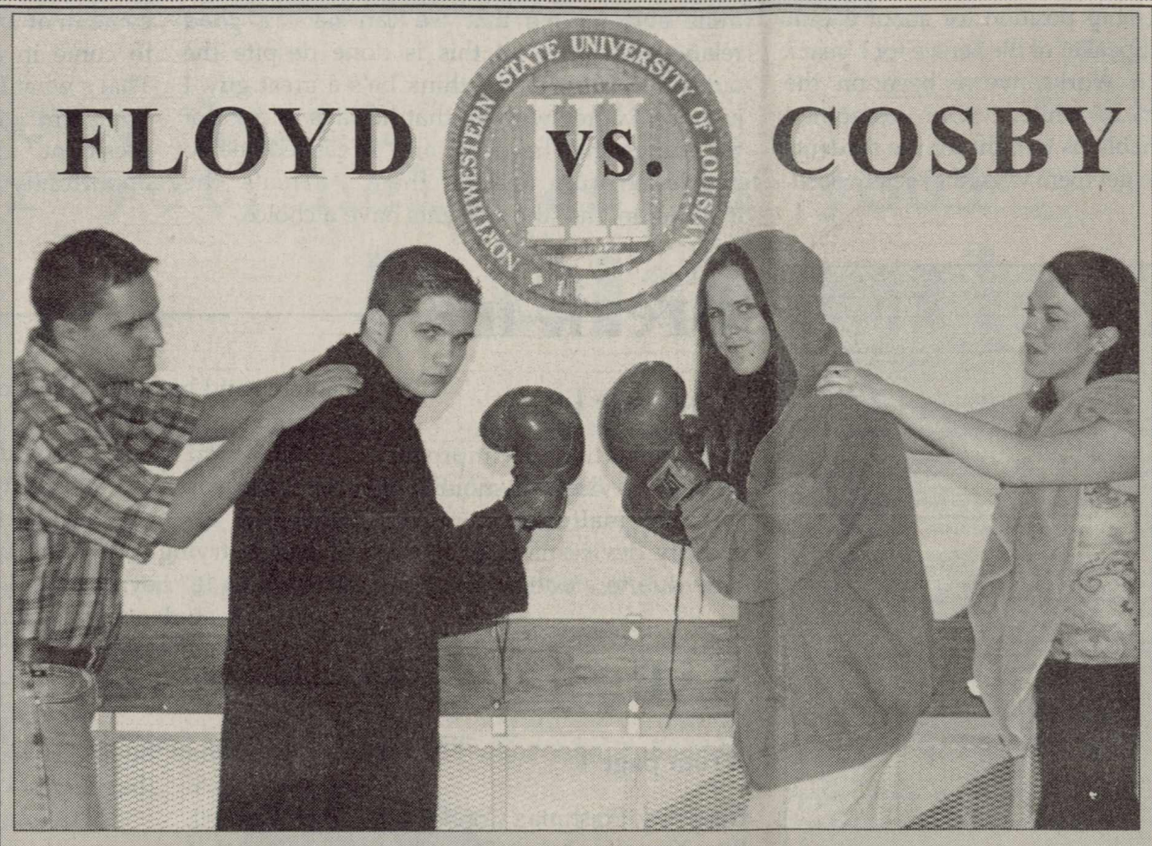


Photo by Glenn Ward

(From left) Running mates Buster Carlisle (candidate, vice president) and Dustin Floyd (candidate, president) face off against Stacie Cosby (candidate, president) and Jennifer Jensen (candidate, president) in the 2002 SGA elections.

SGA presidential candidates Floyd and Cosby chat with *Sauce* reporter

Andrew David: In your opinion, what areas on campus need improving?

Dustin Floyd: I'm a big fan of privatization of the dorms... I know that there are some pros and cons to that but I think where privatization has occurred, everything has improved a hundred percent at some of the universities... Also, some technology fronts that I think we need to improve on.... I'm appalled that we have our STAT fees and we pay STAT money and there are dorms without labs in them... And even the lab worker hours, we need to add more lab workers so we can keep these labs open longer. We're losing the technology war as far as I'm concerned because we're the only university that I know in the University of Louisiana system that does not have dorm-room, high-speed Internet access... Right now, everything's dial-up, and from everybody I've talked to, that dial-up system, it's awful... We can start with Varnado because it's the closest and I believe it would be the most cost-efficient to do and we wouldn't have to run as much cable, and I think it would be a great one to start with because it's an honor dorm... Every dorm room would have broadband Internet so I think that would be a fantastic thing to add and it's something that's imperative if we're going to continue to function...

AD: What do you plan to do deal with student apathy?

DF: I like trying to start early, if you start with the freshmen, if you get them involved as a freshman, it seems they stay involved for the entire four years or longer at Northwestern... I was at the Freshman Connection talking about SGA, trying to get the freshmen interested in SGA... I was president of the Freshman Class Council, which

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Andrew David: In your opinion, what areas on campus need improving?

Stacie Cosby: One of them in my opinion is having quality living conditions on-campus, because that's one of the things that drives a lot of students off is they don't enjoy their living experience, and that's something (Cosby's running mate) Jennifer Jensen has extremely been working on. She's a resident assistant and she's been working with Mr. Woody (Blair, Director of Housing) and a lot of people on the Residential Life staff to improve those conditions. One of the things that I'm most concerned about is the upgrading of technology on campus because we have the largest online communities of the universities in Louisiana and I'd like to see students be able to access to computers 24 hours a day or to not have difficulty getting online through their dormitory... Another one is campus safety. I don't think many SGA presidents have really addressed an increase in lighting on campus... And to reinstitute the call box system so students can have... easy access to a 911 attendant. Another thing is on campus we don't have a 911 system... and I really would like the SGA to support that and be willing to help the administration, doing anything they can to have something like that because how many students know the university police number offhand?

AD: What do you plan to do to deal with student apathy?

SC: Students, they don't care about SGA. They don't understand that we have this money and we have to allocate it, and you need

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Sabine dorm in turmoil after spring break-ins

By Britton Faucon
Sauce Reporter

While students welcomed sunshine and free time last week for Spring Break, unwelcome intruders broke into 16 dorm rooms in Sabine Hall.

Items were stolen from three of the four floors of Sabine.

Of the sixteen students who experienced losses over the holidays, eight resided on the first floor, seven on the third floor, and one on the fourth floor.

Detective Prescott stated that the victims of theft were predominately female.

Dan Seymour, vice president of student affairs, said, "clothes, telephones, food, and various electronic devices were stolen, with the rooms left in disarray."

Other dormitories are under investigation for possible theft as well. Prescott said that the big screen television was reported missing from Rapides Hall and a male resident reported that all of his clothes were stolen.

"I always encourage students to take stuff home with them over breaks because of the possibility of this [theft]," Prescott said.

According to the NSU Student Handbook, "the university is not responsible for loss of a person's property in the residential facilities due to fire, theft, interruption of water, heat, utilities, and other causes."

"That bothers me because I don't find it student centered," Seymour said.

At this present time, however, students who experienced a loss over Spring Break are encouraged to file a report with the University Police.

Seymour said that in the case of theft, compensation for loss or damages can be acquired by implementing homeowner's insurance or purchasing renter's insurance for $100 a year.

Woody Blair, Housing Coordinator, addressed the residents of Sabine in an open forum meeting Tuesday evening to answer any concerns and inform students of possible actions.

"It is a violation of your space that you occupy," Blair said. "Anyone that comes into your room and takes stuff that belongs to you; it leaves you with a real gutless feeling."

Tamara Arnold experienced serious losses over the break and is concerned about her safety as a resident of Sabine.

"I didn't sleep in my room last night [Monday] because I was too scared," Arnold said. "If they just go into people's rooms, they could be in your room right now."

Seymour has taken the proper steps in assuring students that measures are being taken to remedy this problem.

Seymour said the University Police are being put on overtime to increase their presence on campus focusing mainly on the areas of Sabine and Rapides. The university locksmith was assigned to take care of any necessary repairs to damaged locks.

Seymour submitted a work order Wednesday to the Physical Plant to request additional lighting focusing on the Iberville Dining Hall area.

Seymour said that the locking mechanisms for the major entrance and exit areas for Sabine are being assessed for damages and repairs will be made immediately.

Seymour said the University is meeting with a consultant about implementing a high-quality security system for the exterior doors in all residence halls.

Seymour said that over the past four years, the University has invested $200,000 on the

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Student Activities Board elects new president

By Kristen Dauzat
Life Editor

Quincy Spencer was elected the new President of the Student Activities Board in an in-house election. His term will be for the 2002-2003 fall and spring semesters.

Laci Stokes, the former secretary and treasurer, is the new vice president; Misty Garrett will fill Stokes' old positions after working with the board's public relations.

Spencer, a junior political science major, said that he plans to change the Student Activities Board up just a bit during his term. Spencer said his projected theme for the year will be "Thinking outside the box."

"We want to get new stuff and new ideas so we can program better things for the students." Spencer said.

Spencer said that he would like to try a new approach to student activities instead of doing the same things over and over again. He plans to improve all of the old activities, without removing any of the old ones.

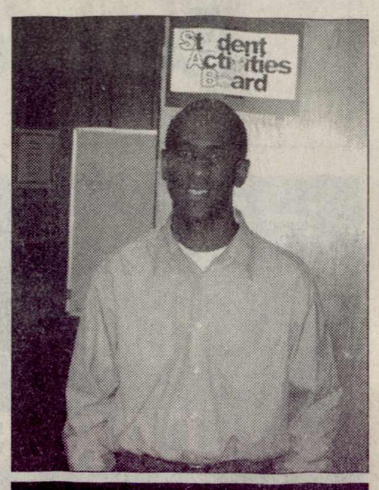
"One of the things that I want to do is get some new ideas with new acts and new novelties that we can bring in to the same things that we bring in usually," Spencer said.

He also wants to add Freshman Factor program as a committee.

"We want to train them to become potential SAB members," Spencer said.

He feels that being elected president is his greatest accomplishment with the SAB so far. Spencer said that he thinks the SAB will have great officers and a great year. This February, Spencer, Garrett, and Stokes went to the national conference for the National Association of Campus Activities in Indianapolis, and because of this they have a lot of ideas for next year to bring in.

Spencer said he decided to run as president, because he wanted to move up and stay on the executive board. Spencer's past experience includes terms as the executive parliamentarian, and as a representative at large. This year is his third on the board. Spencer is also involved with



Spencer

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Dustin Floyd
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was the SGA's program geared towards freshmen... I've been to all the Senior Days on campus for the past two years because I think if you get them involved even before they come on campus... if they know the SGA's what they can look to when they come on, they see my face there and they see my face later on, it makes a connection... I think that if a student would actually come and see what we do, since all our meetings are open at seven o'clock Monday nights, students would see that we do real things that really impact them. Specifically, the STAT stuff is a huge thing that we do, $1.2 million dollars of student money that we use to buy student technology equipment. And I think students should be really be concerned how their money's being spent, what it's going to buy, and if they really enjoy the benefits that they're getting from this... So if you could see all the things that we're involved with on campus, you could see that it's a very, very important organization on campus.

AD: What is your opinion of your opposing candidate, Stacie Cosby?

DF: I believe she's a very nice person. She has been in the senate almost as long as I have and I wish her the best of luck. I believe that she brings nice things to the table but I don't think that the entire ticket has what it takes as far as their leadership goes. Stacie has not served in a leadership position long enough, and definitely her vice president running mate (Jennifer Jensen) has not.

AD: Why should we even vote for you?

DF: ...(W)e have the leadership necessary to take this organization to where it needs to go. Buster and I have been planning this for more than a year. I think our opponents came up with their ticket the day before filings were over... (W)e've been investigating this for a long time. Buster has served in a leadership position for about a year now. I have been Speaker of the Senate for a year... We know how it works, we've been on the organization for a while. Our combined leadership will enable us to fight for the students on all fronts and to get them what they really need.

Minutes 04-01-02

I. Call to Order- 7:10p.m.
The prayer was lead by Beau Boudreaux. The pledge was lead by Dustin Floyd.

Roll Call
Present
Leanna Anderson
Beau Boudreaux
Rusty Broussard
Greg Comeaux
Stacie Cosby
Dustin Floyd
Keith Gates
Sarah Griffith
TometriusGrier
Liz Hughes
Luke Hutchison
Jennifer Jensen
Linzie Ledford
Scott Manguno
Mindy McConnell
Adam Pennell
Patrick Peoples
Zack Pulliam
James Rolf
Melissa Snelling
Adam Stoll
Cade Strong
Torrey Washington
Absent
Jana Freeman
Leslie Bean
Frank Toro
Jeremy Malmay
Travis Williams
Dustin Matthews

II. Executive Reports
Treasurer- Frank Toro
None.

Vice President -Dustin Matthews
Elections next week. Get the word out.

President - Rusty Broussard
Welcome. Good turn out for runnings. You have to make your grades. There is a lot of bills up.
The last Coursil of Student Body Presidents is this weekend in New Orleans. Buster Carlise, Beaux Boudreaux, and Liz Hughes volunteered to go. If anyone else would like to attend, please see me. Elections are the 10th and 11th. Run-offs are the 17th and 18th. The STAT meeting will be by the end of the week, or possibly Monday. Do well on your tests.

III. Departmental Reports
Academic Affairs- Stacie Cosby
"Pick-a-Prof" Presentation was given. This presentation showed the benefits that this program will have. It contains a lot of student input and teacher feedback. It shows to be beneficial to students in order to pick classes and make a schedule.
Sarah Griffith walked in.
Linzie Ledford left.
External Affairs- Greg Comeaux
Radio Show will be from 9-12 on Tuesdays. April 4th will be Meet Your Senator Day from 10am-2pm. Everyone is required to work one hour for that. We will be meeting with the election board to push the election.
Fiscal Affairs- Frank Toro
None.
Internal Affairs- Dustin Floyd
We are working with Greg to monitor the computer uses. We still need one more member for the Election Board. Office hours looked a lot better.
Student Affairs- Buster Carlisle
The parking lots got painted! We are looking into the open parking issue. If anybody has any ideas for the Cultural Diversity, let me know.
SAB Report- Beau Boudreaux
Dinner With the Demons will be on April 11th from 6p-8p. It will be lots of fun.
Advisor's Report- Mr. Henry
We need volunteers to work the poles the 2nd week in April. It is going to take a while to vote, so get the word out. Wednesday night will be Star Calling. Thank you to Sarah and Justin for doing a great job on elections.
Supreme Court Report- Supreme Court Justice
Everything is great.

IV. Old Business
Bill SP02-015 up dealing with loitering in front of Iberville. Greg Comeaux moves to approve, Zack Pulliam seconds. Motion fails by role call vote 6-14-2.
Adam Stoll left.
Bill SP02-018 up, Greg Comeaux moves to approve, Jennifer Jensen seconds. Buster moves to table SP02-018. Patrick Peoples seconds. Motion fails 3-16-2. SP02-018 passes by role call vote 18-2-1.
Stacy Cosby left.
Bill SP02-016 dealing with beautifying the main entrance to the Student Union. Greg Comeaux moves to approve, Zack Pulliam seconds. Greg Comeaux moves to amend the bill, Mindy McConnell seconds. Keith Gates moves to amend the bill, Greg with drawls his motion and seconds Keith's. Motion to amend the bill SP02-016 passes by show of hands 20-0-0. Motion for amended bill passes by role call vote 20-0-0.
Bill SP02-017 dealing with Cultural Diversity is up. Greg Comeaux moves to approve the bill, Luke Hutchinson seconds. Buster Carlisle moves to amend SP02-017. Greg Comeaux seconds. Motion to amend the bill passes by show of hands 19-1-0. Bill SP02-017 passes by role call vote 17-3-0.
Bill SP02-019 was withdrawn for changes.
Luke Hutchinson moves to pass Bill SP02-019 Greg Comeaux seconds. The bill was discussed, then Beaux Boudreaux moves to table the bill, there was no second. Motion passes by role call vote 18-1-1 Bill

V. New Business
Bills SP02-022, SP02-024, SP02-025, SP02-026, SP02-027, SP02-028 will be up next week. Dustin Floyd nominated Zack Pulliam for chairman of Election Board, Cade Strong seconds. Motion passes by show of hands 19-0-1.

VI. Announcements
More legislation needs to be written. Office hours looked good last week. Don't forget STAR CALLING on Wednesday 5-9 pm. Everyone must work at least one hour. Sign up on the board in the office.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Stacie Cosby
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to pick who you want to distribute this money, and it's hard combating that... When you have a campus that's primarily e-students that don't live in Natchitoches... And not only that, but we have a large commuter population as well, so it's hard to get people out there to vote. We have to let them know that these are really big issues.

AD: What is your opinion of your opposing candidate, Dustin Floyd?

SC: Before all of this, Dustin and Buster were pretty good friends of mine and I really like those guys but recently there's been a lot of hard feelings and just a lot of obvious rivalry... We can't let it go to a personal level, and everything I say I do is political. They're still friends of mine and I hope that we can have a good relationship after all this is done despite the outcome. Ultimately I think he's a great guy, I just don't agree with all that he says or a lot of the things that he does, and it caused me to decide to run against them. That's the inspiration, that the students have a choice.

AD: Why should we even vote for you?

SC: I honestly think I'm the best candidate available. I've worked on the senate for two years of my life, constantly in the office, researching resolutions, working in the department. I'm a dedicated senator and it's something I'll love whether or not I win or lose this election, and I have the know-how, I have the experience to get things done. I have the capabilities to see things through... I get excited just thinking about the SGA and all the possibilities that we have and I think I'd be a really good leader in the senate. I'm really open to exploration and to everyone inputting their ideas and working as hard as they can, coming up with different things. This is something I've really been pushing. If I become president, I'm going to have an open door policy. Anyone can come in at any time. If any organization wants to come in and ask me a question, feel free. That's what I'm there for. I'm going to represent you, I'm going to be the student body's president. I'm just thrilled that I have the opportunity and the capability to be doing it.

Break-ins

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implementation of improved security services. Seymour said that the malfunction of the security devices is most of the time due to students breaking cameras and breaking doors or propping doors open.

"It is hard for us to provide the appropriate security whenever we have hundreds of people trying to prevent us from doing it," Seymour said.

If any students have any information regarding this investigation should contact Detective Prescott at the University Police station. The phone number is 357-5431 or he can also be reached at prescott@nsula.edu.

SAB

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the in Delta Upsilon fraternity, Freshman Connection, Greek Council, Blue Key and Order of Omega. Spencer said that he is very happy with the full-paid scholarship that comes with his position.

"I'm excited, I can't wait!" Spencer said.

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Rent-a-Rower will be available again this semester. E-mail your order to rent_a_rower@hotmail.com. Rent-a-Rower is open to NSU faculty and students. For more information contact Charles C. Percy, NSU Crew vice president, at 357-5921.

Student Government Association

The **SGA** is looking for new members. There are five positions for senator and one position for supreme court. Students interested in filling these positions should stop by Room 222 of the Student Union.

Open Forum Debate

The SGA is hosting an open forum debate on Tuesday at 8:30 p.m. in the t.v. studio of Kyser Hall. The forum will be moderated by Alex Aichenger.

First Baptist Church

The **First Baptist Church** of Natchitoches will have a free lunch and Bible study every Sunday following their 11 a.m. service. The First Baptist Church of Natchitoches is located on 508 Second St.

Catholic Student Organization

The **CSO** will have a theology study and faith sharing Sunday nights at 8, followed by the 9:30 Mass. Bible Study is every Tuesday night at 8, and Fellowship is every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m., followed by a free meal. Everyone is welcome. For more info, contact Amy Dowden at 352-2615.

Baptist Collegiate Ministry

The **BCM** will have Wednesday night worship across the street from Watson Library every week. The worship begins at 8:31. All students are welcome to attend. The BCM also has a $1 lunch encounter on Thursdays from 11:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. For more information call the BCM at 352-5464.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes

FCA will be having its weekly fellowship every Tuesday night. The meetings are held in the athletic field house on the south end of Turpin Stadium at 8. There will be a devotional speaker each week. Everyone is welcome.

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Vote to complain, get to the polls



Kaleb Breaux
Managing Editor

What a wonderful time to be a broke college student and alive. Spring has begun and with spring comes many events. For example, Major League Baseball's 2002 Opening Day officially began on Monday.

Also, spring SGA elections are right around the corner, but who cares, right? Hell no, that's really messed up to even think that. Please say you weren't agreeing with me. Hey, if you were even considering that the SGA elections are unimportant, go ask someone for a tack hammer and hit yourself in the forehead repeatedly, because you, my friend, are a retard.

I hate to sound like a 90's MTV advertisement telling people to go to the poles and vote, but somebody has to do it. I know most of you are probably saying, "It's just a college election, what does it matter if I vote." Your vote does matter. Whether you like it or not, your SGA president is representing you and your school on many levels.

First of all, the SGA president has control over the Student Technology Advisory Team (STAT). This board is the overseer of how student technology funds are spent. This includes those students who have no access to computers in their dorms. STAT money would pay for them to have a nice new computer lab.

Secondly, the SGA president has control over the student senate. This say-so allows legislation to pass, to be vetoed, or even allows the infamous tabling of legislation. This control could possibly affect you in the future.

Third and finally, the SGA president serves as a lobbyist for you, the students. He/she is a spokesperson for NSU students, representing us locally and abroad. In a nut shell, he/she represents you.

These are just a few reasons why you should go to the poles and **pick who you think will best represent you.** Don't let some one pick your president for you, be an adult and pick them yourself. If you are unsure where the polls are, you can find them on the second floor of the Student Union on April 10 through April 11.

If you are not sure you know how to operate a voting booth, ask someone before you enter and they will be happy to help. There is no reason why we should not go to the polls, it is free, you know.

However, if you do choose not to vote and your organization asks the SGA for money next year, and your request is turned down, you have no right to complain. That's correct, you have cheated yourself out of several rights, including the right to complain.

In conclusion, (a topic not related to SGA elections at all) I would like to personally thank Mr. Robert Crew (assistant to President Webb) for answering my column last week. Mr. Crew met with me earlier last week and told me of the many renovations that the University is taking on. Let me personally tell you that our administration does listen, despite what we may think. Mr. Crew assured me that if any student has any problems with the University they would be more than happy to listen.

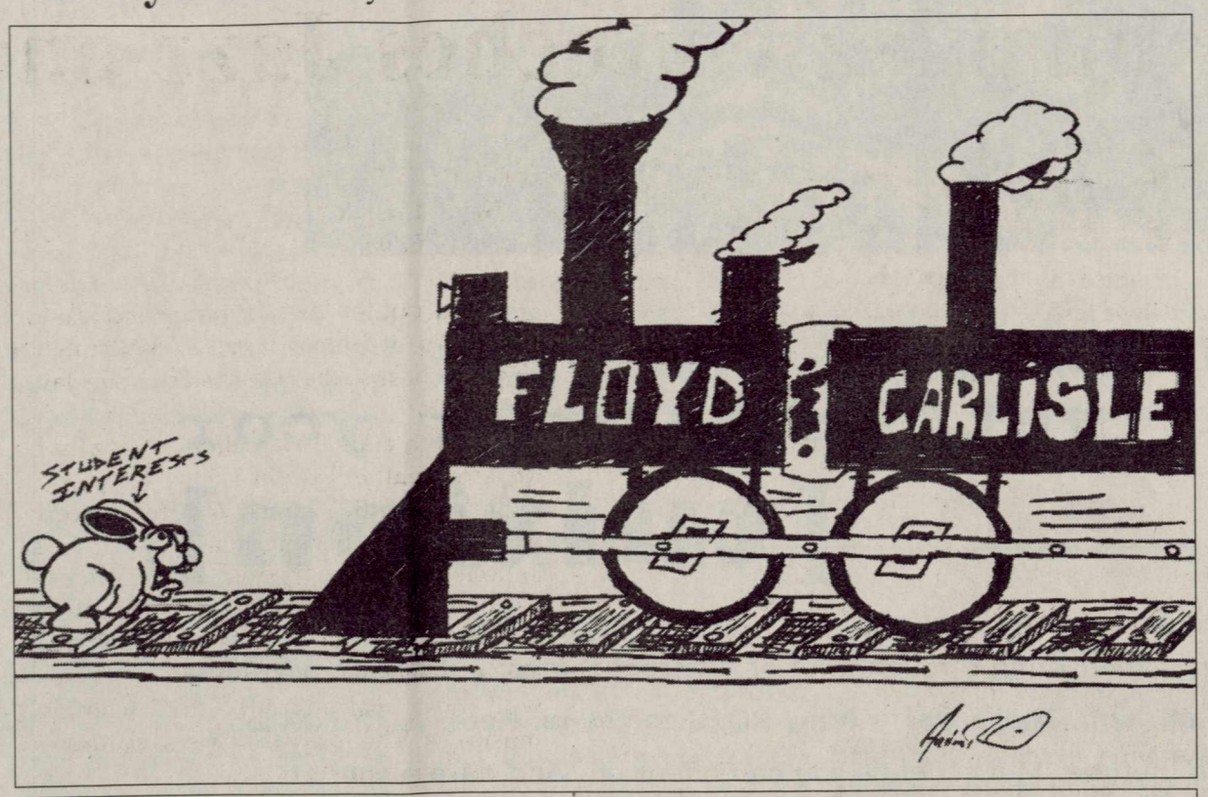
Anyway, just go vote!

Correction

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Reality*Checks* by Andrew David



Letters to the Editor

Online Submission

What's the point of Floyd/Carlisle ad, and who really cares about SGA?

Josh Marr
Sophomore

When it comes right down to the situation, all I have to say is "Who cares?". The fact of the matter is, not that many people probably do; with members of the SGA being the major exception.

Were I a gambling kind of guy, I'd bet my scholarship money that over half of the students that attend NSU don't even know who the current President and Vice President of the SGA are(myself included).

The simple reason for this is that nobody cares. The SGA's not some godly important thing that everybody runs around talking about it 24-7, so I don't see why the Dustin Floyd would want to waste his 'campaign' money on ad space that hardly anyone'll read and even remotely pay attention to.

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Being a History major, le: me enlighten you with a quote from Sun Tzu's book 'The Art of War', "Opportunities multiply as they are seized".

You could've greatly improved your political 'image' had you not decided to fight fire with fire. You failed to seize that grand opportunity, and I dare say that it'll show come election time.

And please, spare us your petty ad space where you succeeded in only listing your SGA/former SGA support. Find ten non-SGA, regular run-of-the-mill students on campus who are even remotely interested in the election and then I might....just might, pay the slightest bit of attention to any other ads that you buy. I won't hold my breath while you try to find them, though.

Violence against lesbian, gay students reason for 'National Day of Silence'

Dave Knox
Senior

Lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender students' access to higher education is limited and their ability to earn a degree is threatened.

During National Coming Out Day at a Maryland university, a student wearing a rainbow ribbon was badly beaten. Her attacker repeatedly called her a "dyke" while hitting her.

From October to November of 2001, students at Humboldt State University began collecting information on the anti-LGBT incidents that were occurring on their campus. In that 60 day period, 168 anti-trans hate incidents were documented.

These incidents of hate are not isolated. Lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender students face harassment and discrimination in numerous areas of college life.

Most universities in this country do not have institutional policies or procedures in place to educate the campus community or to protect LGBT students from discrimination. Of the over 3,000 institutions of higher learning in the United States, only about 347 include sexual orientation in their nondiscrimination policies. Just a handful have added gender identity and expression to these policies. Most college campuses do not provide LGBT sensitivity trainings to their campus staff and faculty.

On April 10, 2002 students all over the country who support increasing accessibility for LGBT people in education will be participating in the Day of Silence Project. On this day, LGBT people and allies will take a nine-hour vow of visible silence. This act of visible silence represents the daily fight LGBT face against heterosexism, homophobia, and transphobia and calls attention to the ways LGBT people are silenced on our campuses.

We are taking the lead on April 10th. Will you join us? To work with us please call (318) 572-9713.

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Editor's*Take*

Seniors, what will you remember most after graduation?



Rondray Hill
Editor's Take

As the school year winds down, I thought it would be a great idea to hear from you, fellow members of the class of 2002, on what some of the events that have happened at NSU over the par four years?

What are you going to look back on after you've left this school?

Over the past four years, I've had the privilege of using my position with *The Current Sauce* to not only be a witness to NSU history, but to have the chance to record it as well.

Here are the top four history-making events at NSU that I will remember the most. My list is very sports-heavy (I'm a sports writer at heart) but I only had space for four entries.

1) March 2001, Demon basketball reaches NCAA Tournament: Truly the best moment I've ever been a part of, and most everyone who was there will agree. And as great as it was to watch the Demons play Illinois in the second game, what I enjoyed the most was the first game against Winthrop. It was a great game, with great fans in an electric atmosphere that can never be duplicated here in Natchitoches. For that one night, the little guys got their moment in the sun.

2) February 2000, Amber Rhyne/ Sabrina Plaissiance LOB miscount: At the time, I was a member of Student Activities Board, and I remember seeing former LOB chairperson Sarah Griffith come into the office with tears down her face. I didn't know why, but it soon became clear. A miscalculation caused Rhyne to be named the winner at the pageant, but Plaissiance actually won. Eventually, Plaissance was named Miss LOB, while Rhyne was named Miss Northwestern.

3) October 1998: Demon football beats McNeese, massive raid on goalposts: To me, this game still ranks as the closest resemblance to a big-time college football atmosphere NSU has even been. 14,247 rowdy (cant stress the word rowdy enough) NSU fans raided the south goal post after the Demons defeated the then No.1 ranked McNeese Cowboys 14-10. NSU would advance to the Division I-AA semi-finals that year before losing to eventual national champion UMASS. To this day, I still can't understand why more Thursday night games aren't scheduled.

4) April 2001, Demon Baseball beats LSU in front record crowd: 4,214 fans, the largest non-football crowd in NSU history, braved 45-minute lines for port-a-potty access to watch Demon pitcher Zach Sanches brilliantly strike out eight Tiger batters on curveballs and 70 m.p.h. fastballs in the 10-8 Demon win. The highlight of the game, however, was a home run by then LSU player Zeph Zinsman. The blast made nearly all 4,214 fans collectively say, "holy s---"

That's my list, now I want to hear from you. What's your list? Did I miss anything? You know the mailing addresses, so get to action.

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7th Annual Natchitoches Jazz and R&B Festival

Area bands come to life



By Kaleb Breaux
Managing Editor

Break out the lawn furniture and leave the books at home, because downtown Natchitoches will be jazzin' starting Friday afternoon.

The 7th annual Natchitoches Jazz and R&B Festival will begin Friday afternoon with a Brown Bag Lunch and free concert on Front Street beginning at noon. It will be followed by a "Boogie on the Bricks" starting at 7 p.m. This year's festival features three stages, including the ADS Yellow Pages Future Stars Stage, which will host various up and coming musicians. The festival will end Saturday at 10:30 p.m.

One of the headliners for the festival will be John Fred and The Playboys, who are best remembered for their 1968 No. 1 hit "Judy in Disguise."

NSU's own 20-piece Jazz Orchestra, conducted by Galindo Rodriquez, will also be featured during this year's festival and can be seen on the Riverbank Stage at noon on Saturday. Kelvin, a local alternative rock band comprised of NSU and LSU students, will also be featured during the festival. Kelvin takes the Front Street Stage at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday.

Admission for the festival is $10 for adults and $5 for students with a valid student I.D. card. Children 12 and under are admitted free.

For more information call the Natchitoches Parish Tourist Commission at 1-800-259-1714 or visit www.Natchitoches.net on the world wide web.



(Above) Louisiana Queen Ms. Zeno

(Below) Johnny Earthquake and the Moon Dogs



Schedule of Events
7th Annual Natchitoches Jazz and R&B Festival

Front Street Stage

Friday "Boogie on the Bricks"
7 p.m.-7:45 p.m. **Greg Legrande & Company**
8 p.m.-8:45 p.m. **Ransom**
9 p.m.-9:45 p.m. **Doc & The Gators**
10 p.m.-11 p.m. **Gary's Band**
Saturday 7th Annual Natchitoches Jazz and R&B Festival
12:15 p.m.-1:15 p.m. **Sub III**
1:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m. **Kelvin**
2:45 p.m.-3:45 p.m. **Sugarhouse**
4 p.m.-5 p.m. **The Sidemen**
5:15 p.m.-6:15 p.m. **A.J. and The Two Tone Blues Band**
6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. **Annalee**

Riverbank Stage

12 p.m.-1 p.m. **NSU Jazz Orchestra**
1:15 p.m.-2:15 p.m. **Floyd Grigsby & G&G**
2:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m. **Louisiana Mojo Queen (Roque's Blues Band)**
3:45 p.m.-4:45 p.m. **B.B. Major Blues Show**
5 p.m.-6 p.m. **Johnny Earthquake & the Moondogs**
6:15 p.m.-7:15 p.m. **Billy O'Con &the Running Yardcats**
7:30 p.m.-9 p.m. **John Fred & the Playboys**
9:15 p.m.-10:30 p.m. **Luther Kent**

ADS Yellow Pages Future Stars Stage (Behind Roque's House)

Hosts a variety of up-and-coming rock, metal, alternative, and Christian rock bands.
12 p.m.-6 p.m.

Oscar gowns ranged from dreadful to gorgeous

Courtesy Knight Ridder Newspapers

If Gwyneth Paltrow's goal was to be talked about when she got dressed for the Oscars, she scored. Big-time. People are still chatting it up about her evening gown.

Consensus is she's at the top of the What-was-she-thinking list.

It wasn't only that her dress bodice was ridiculously sheer, it was ugly. Forgive the brutal truth here, Alexander McQueen.

A close look reveals it appears to be two pieces. A big ball skirt worn with a sheer, slightly gathered, lace-up tank top.

My friend Stan called and said his granny used to wear an old bathrobe that looked like that dress, "but it wasn't that sheer."

Gwyneth must have worn all the makeup others didn't that evening. Mistake, Gwynie - even your biggest fans say so.

The year she wore a pink Ralph Lauren dress, her dad bought her a diamond necklace that she had borrowed. We can only hope he bought her a bra this time.

Most viewers agreed that Halle Berry wore the showstopper of the night. And don't you know Elie Saab is a happy designer these days. Halle's dress was from his signature haute couture collection. The burgundy tulle top was embroidered in silk thread with flowers covering just the right parts.

Cameron Diaz wore a floral dress, but sadly she missed her hair appointment. Surely that's the explanation. As cute as she is, she's just never caught on to the awards night look.

But then she did better than Janet Jackson, who wore a crocheted bra and low-riding jeans. Mercy.

Jennifer Connelly is so stunning, so why on earth would she choose a non-color like taupe and wear a scarf around her neck the color of sand? She's a stunner in almost any other color.

Maybe we're never satisfied, but there was Faith Hill in way too many colors. She must have thought her dress should have an Easter egg color theme.

Kate Winslet was one person who seemed to pull it together. Her hair was combed, her red dress fit beautifully, with no danger of fall-out, and she didn't find it necessary to wear diamonds the size of headlights.

Paul McCartney's sweetie is so pretty, but she strolled down the burgundy carpet wearing a two-piece, bare midriff, black lace number. And she wore something in her hair that resembled a Kleenex flower.

Another What-was-she-thinking award has to go to Sally Kirkland for her metal alloy dress with adjustable hemline. She used a push-button device to move the ruffles around her body. Floor-length was her only hope. It's best to save dresses that do tricks for Halloween.

But if you want to talk price, Laura Harring wins. She wore diamond-encrusted sandals by Stuart Weitzman, and a $27 million diamond necklace, with her Armani gown. Weitzman gave her $90,000 to give to her favorite charity, a children's hospital.

If that didn't stop your heart, there was the dress worn by E! host Jules Asner. She wore a $5 million dress: nude-colored and diamond studded.

More of the glitterati should have dressed like Renee Zellweger, who wore a beautifully fitted strapless black dress with dramatic train. They wouldn't have had to put up with bodyguards all evening.

There's always next year. Since my invitation to the Academy Awards was lost in the mail this year, I'm hoping for next year.

And I want to get there early.

The week leading up to the big night was described by Hollywood style expert Linda Arroz as being "like Mardi Gras and New Year's Eve, with a much better spirit than last year."

She worked and watched all the activity and told me in a phone interview that she and other behind-the-scenes workers were living on champagne and Chocowits. "It's like a chocolate fortune cookie, and it's the best chocolate you've ever tasted," she said.

And I thought I had a great job.

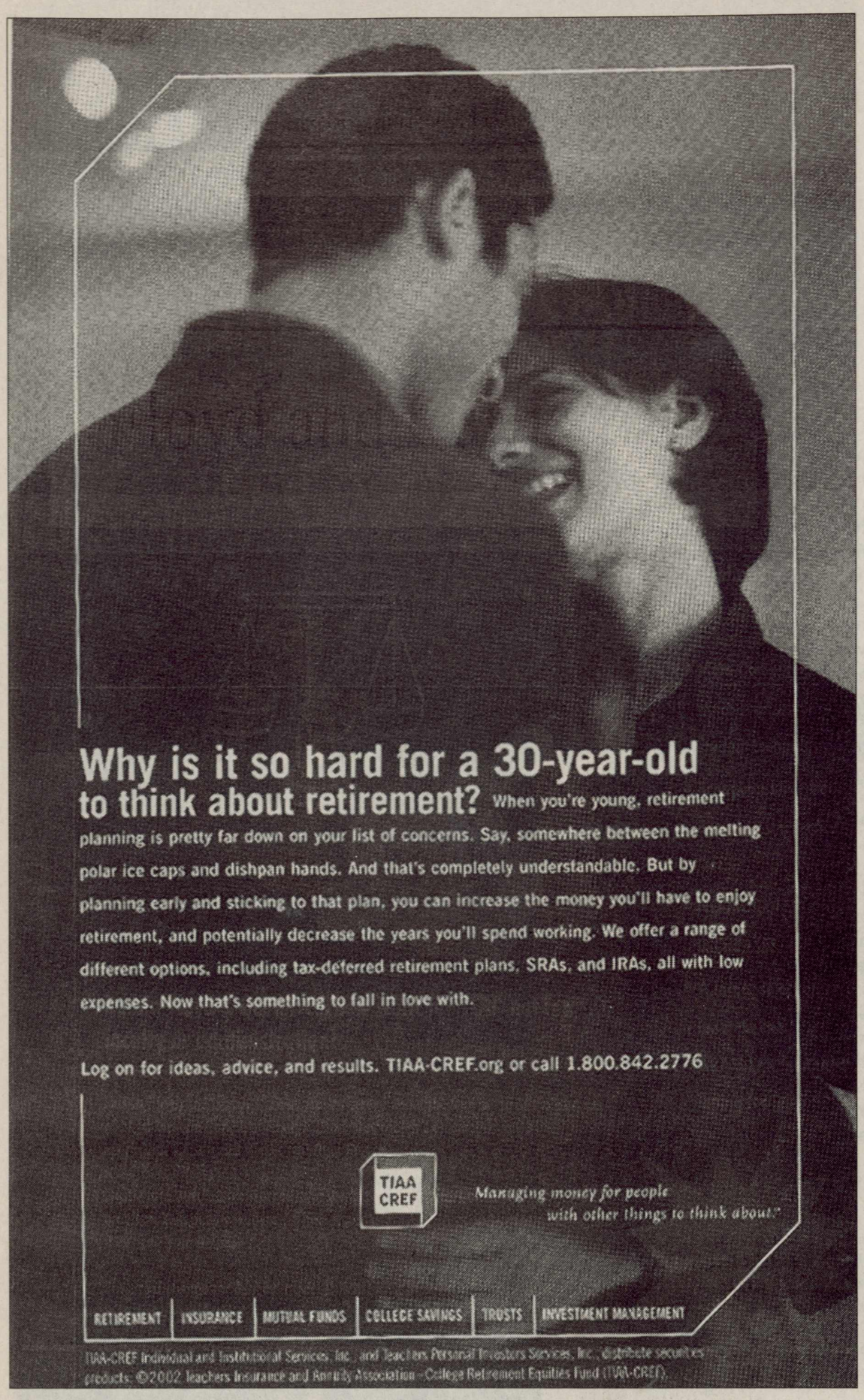
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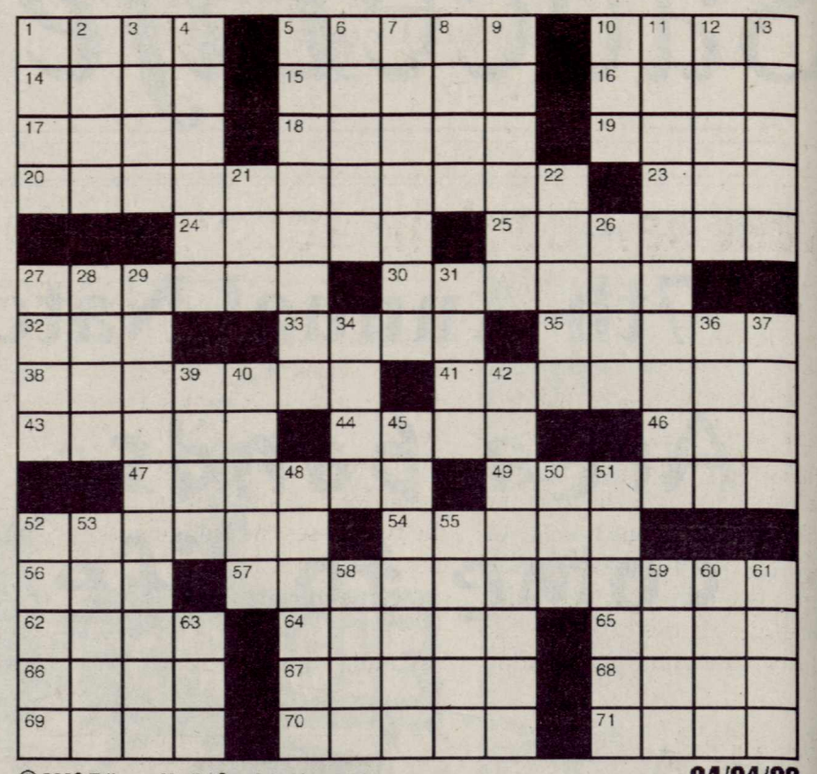
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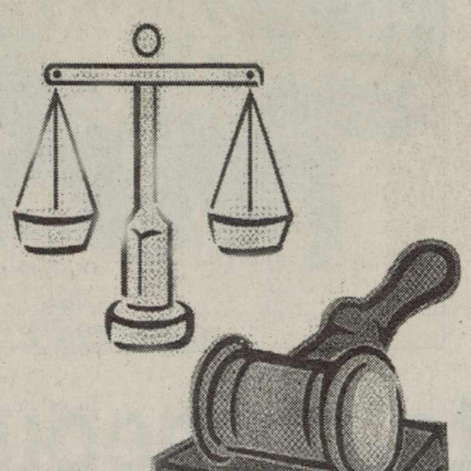
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The campaign would like to thank the students of Northwestern for their help and ask for your continued support at the polls on April 10th and 11th.

Torrey Washington
Floyd-Carlisle 2002 Campaign Coordinator

"Due to their experience with and dedication to the SGA, I am confident that these gentlemen will do an excellent job leading the students of Northwestern."

Kelli Walker
Treasurer, *Louisiana Scholars' College* Forum Council

"I know Dustin and Buster are dedicated to their job. I have seen them do good things for the students of this University while being on the SGA. I will proudly cast my vote for Floyd and Carlisle on April 10th."

Jared Hewitt
SAB Committee Chairman
President of Kappa Sigma Fraternity

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Baseball back in action against Texas-Southern, Texas-San Antonio

By Janie Warren
Sauce Reporter

The NSU Demon baseball team continues to show its strengths and efforts this season with few losses and high team rankings.

The No. 24- ranked NSU Demons took on McNeese in a three-game series beginning on Friday and ending Sunday. Although the Demons (22-6, 6-3 SLC) lost the first two games of the series, they picked up during the last game, and defeated the cowboys 10-6.

Demon head baseball coach Mitch Gaspard said that the two losses the Demons saw last weekend were just a part of the game in general.

"That's just typical baseball," Gaspard said. "We played really well, but Friday night for instance, McNeese had a nice lead in the ninth inning and they scored four runs."

The Demons will take on Texas-Southern today, and will then travel to Texas San-Antonio Saturday for another three-game series this weekend.

Gaspard said that it is important for the team to bounce back this week.

"San-Antonio is a good team so we need to definitely incorporate strong starting pitching and timely hits," Gaspard said. "Our biggest concern is to come out and play well so that at the end, we'll have a good chance for post season play.

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NSU vs Texas-Southern
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Weekend Series
NSU vs. UTSA
Saturday doubleheader
1 p.m. 97.3 KLITE

Zerick wins, but Demon tennis falls to ULL 6-1

By Steven Simoneaux
Sauce Reporter

NSU freshman Anneline Zerwick dominated the Lady Demons tennis match against ULL yesterday, but the team still fell 6-1.

Zerwick was involved in both of the Lady Demons' wins yesterday. She shut out her singles opponent, Fernanda Kompatscher, in strait sets 6-0 and 6-1.

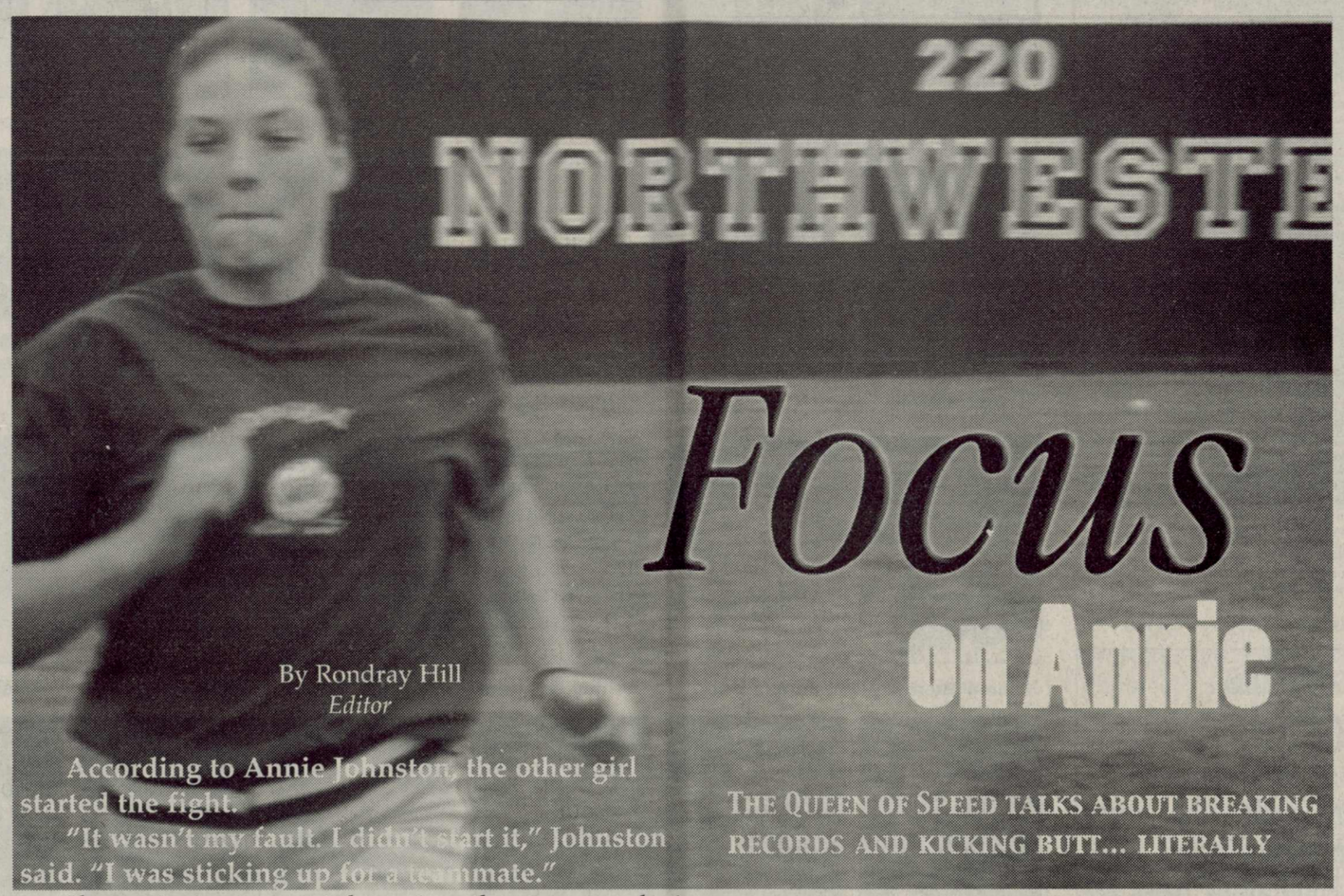
"My rhythm was just there today," Zerwick said,

Zerwick and Eliza Young won their doubles match with a score of 8-5. Katy Wallace did not play yesterday she commented that Zerwick and Young were, " as tough as ever." Zerwick said, " it was a tough match," but, "after we got our serves going and we got our returns down the middle we were on fire."

While Zerwick played very well, she was the only one on the NSU's team to get a win. While the number two doubles team put went into a tiebreaker they came up short.

Coach Willie Paz felt that ULL had not paired their singles players evenly against NSU. "The team played well but missed some opportunities to capitalize," Paz said.

Paz is looking forward to this weekend when the Lady Demons will play two conference games against Nicholls and Southeastern. He is also looking forward to the conference tournament. He said that his team should stay in the top six and make it to the tournament.



Focus on Annie

By Rondray Hill
Editor

THE QUEEN OF SPEED TALKS ABOUT BREAKING RECORDS AND KICKING BUTT... LITERALLY

According to Annie Johnston, the other girl started the fight.

"It wasn't my fault. I didn't start it," Johnston said. "I was sticking up for a teammate."

She's referring to a spat she and another teammate had while Johnston was a freshman at Central Arizona Junior College. Her story goes like this; one girl started messing with her teammate's boyfriend and, well, it just blew up from there.

It was a fight: not a verbal one, but an all-out fist fight, full of jabs and hooks, uppercuts and crosses.

"She hit me first," Johnston said. "So I just defended myself."

Annie's not a boxer, but she carries a pair of boxing gloves in her bag, given to her by her new teammates on the Demon Softball team. After they heard about the fight club in 'Zona, some of the Demon players went out and bought her the gloves, just in case something goes down.

"The gloves remind me to be tough and don't take any crap from anybody," Johnston said.

She doesn't take much crap. If you need to know how good a softball player she is, then consider this: when asked how good his leadoff hitter is, Singleton said that Johnston, who batted .316 and led the Demons in 10 offensive categories last season, got better.

"She's gotten better mentally," Singleton said. "I know it's strange to say that a .350-something hitter got better, but she did."

She got much better. She's batting .445 so far this season.

The Demons' superstitious leadoff hitter (teammates say she always has to have two braids in her hair) is arguably one of the nation's best hitters, and one look at the stat sheet says why. Johnston leads the Conference in 10 out of 18 offensive categories. Her 42 steals this season are 13 better than the next player.

Her latest accomplishment was eclipsing the school mark for career stolen bases. The previous record-holder, Linnette Stuart, stole 78 bases in four seasons at NSU from 1997-2000.

Johnston stole 79 bases.

In 79 games.

What is scary is that she may be much faster than she's been leading us to believe. "She takes little baby steps when she runs," fellow outfielder Shay LeDoux said. "If she widened her stride when she's running, she could be a lot faster."

The word "all" may as well be a part of her name, as in All-Louisiana, All-Southland, All-Southland Tournament... All-America?

"I think she could be All-American," head coach Ty Singleton said.

The desert diamond from Tuscon, Arizona, credits much of her success to her time at Central Arizona Junior College, a competitive program with a tradition of winning. Her team won the 1999 Junior College national championship, and it was there where Johnston-- when she wasn't sparring with teammates-- honed her skill of speed.

"Central Arizona was a place where winning was expected," Johnston said. "Had I have come here (NSU) out of high school, I wouldn't have gotten as many steals as I have now and I probably wouldn't be as good as I am now."

The success that Annie and Central Arizona amassed in her two years there were what caught the attention of then head coach Gay McNutt at NSU. The Demons were fresh off winning both the Southland conference regular season and



Annie Johnston shattered records at a lightning pace. She hopes to help lead the Demons back to the Southland Conference championship

Photos by Rondray Hill

tournament championship, and Johnston would be a perfect fit in the outfield.

But a funny thing happened on the way to another title. Coach McNutt took the head coaching job at Southern Mississippi, and Johnston was stuck. She had used her eligibility at Central Arizona and didn't know if she wanted to make the move to a team with a new coach.

"I was really apprehensive about coming after coach McNutt left. She was the on who recruited me, and I didn't know what to expect."

It turns out that McNutt's move could have been the best thing for both Annie and the Demons. Annie fit right in with coach Singleton's run, run again, run some more, and keep running until you get back to the dugout style of coaching.

"Annie's always looking to take the extra base," Singleton said. "That's what we loved to do here."

After Johnston finishes dissecting the competition in the conference, she plans on doing a different kind of slicing—maybe a bypass surgery of appendectomy. The honor-roll biology major plans on going to medical school after graduation.

"I would let her operate on me," third basemen Lindsay Leftwich said. "She's very precise, and she gets business done."

Johnston credits Leftwich the batters who hit behind her in the lineup, for making her as good as she has been this season.

"They make me comfortable in the batter's box" Johnston said. "I know that it doesn't all depend on me. I know that they can get the job done."

And Annie still has those gloves in her bag to motivate her teammates to get the job done.

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Sauce Stats

Baseball

Standings	W	L	%
1)Northwestern State	**6**	**3**	**.667**
2)McNeese State	6	3	.667
3)Texas-San Antonio	5	4	.556
4)Sma Houston	5	4	.556
5)UT-Arlington	5	4	.556
6)Nicholls State	4	5	.444
7)Southeastern La.	4	5	.444
8)Lamar	4	5	.444
9)Louisiana-Monroe	4	5	.444
10)Southwest Texas	2	7	.222

Team E.R.A. (SLC)

1)Northwestern State	**3.11**
2)UTSA	3.79
3)Nicholls State	4.59
4)Lamar	4.65
5)Southeastern La.	4.96

Individual E.R.A

1)King, O.J., NSU	**1.49**
2)Srp, Mike, UTA	2.27
3)Slanina, Jason, NSU	2.54
4)Sapp, Michael, UTA	2.64
5) McKeller, Laine, MCN	2.91

Double Plays (SLC)

1)Linck, Ed, NSU	**29**
2)Solis, Ricky, NSU	**24**
3)Burras, Rhett, NSU	22
4)Quattrociocchi, David, NSU	**20**
5) 3 others tied at...	18

Did you know...

...SS Ricky Solis' last name ends with an "s", while OF Alonzo Soliz' name ends with a "z"? The two are not related.

Softball

Standings	W	L	%
1)Southwest Texas	15	3	.833
2)McNeese State	9	3	.750
3)Northwestern State	**10**	**5**	**.666**
4)Texas-San Antonio	10	5	.666
5)Texas-Arlington	6	9	.400
6)Louisiana-Monroe	5	7	.416
7)Sam Houston	5	7	.416
8)Southeastern La.	5	10	.333
9)Nicholls State	2	7	.222
10)SFA	2	13	.133

Home Runs (Southland Career)

1)Moreaux, Heather, MCN	36
2)McElyea, Michelle, UTSA	35
3)Mancuso, Erin, NSU	**34**
4)Michalsky, Amanda, UTSA	33

Stolen Bases (NSU Career)

1)Johnston,Annie (2001--)	79
2)Stuart, Linnette (1997-2000)	78
3)Grisham, Amy (1990-93)	60
4)Allen, Becca (1995-98)	49
5)Welker, Amber (1997-2000)	39

E.R.A (SLC)

1)Miller, Christa, NSU	**1.30**
2)Neuerburg, Nicole, SWT	1.41
3)Ortego, Amanda, NSU	**1.57**
4)Hale, Corrie, MCN	1.60
5)Woodmansee, Monique, SLU	1.64

Did you know...

...the Demon Softball team is the Demon Softball team, not the "Lady" Demon Softball team. An unofficial check confirms that *The Current Sauce* is the meduim that gets this fact consistently correct. You're welcome.

Tennis

ULL 6
NSU 1
4/3/02

Doubles

Young/Zerwick (NSU) d. Rampen/Singer, 8-5

Colsiegon/Hubert (ULL) d. Nieto/Luu, 9-7

Linden/Kompatscher (ULL) d. Prado/Conway, 8-5

Singles

Rampen (ULL) d. Young, 6-0, 6-2

Zerwick (NSU) d. Kompatscher, 6-0, 6-1

Hubert (ULL) d. Nieto, 6-0, 7-6

Singer (ULL) d. Prado, 6-1, 6-0

Colsiegor (ULL) d. Luu, 6-4, 6-0

Linden (ULL) d. Conway, 6-0, 6-0

ULL wins the match, 6-1

Next matches

@ Nicholls
4/6/02, 10 a.m.

@ Southeastern Louisiana
4/7/02, 9 a.m.

SGA/SAB 2002 Elections

SGA Executive Positions

President



Stacie Cosby

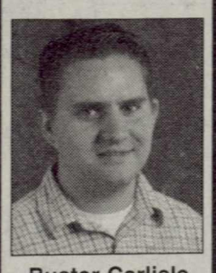


Dustin Floyd

Vice President



Jennifer Jensen



Buster Carlisle

Treasurer



Beau Boudreaux



Dustin Matthews

Presidential Platforms

Stacie Cosby

I, Stacie Cosby, pledge to return the Student Government Association to a service organization it was intended to be. I will invigorate and reunite SGA for the purpose of returning the organization to an able body that's sole purpose is to benefit you - the students. I will take any and all steps necessary to further ensure the safety of all students. There are far too many women on this campus for it to be so poorly lighted.

I have and will further advocate the installation of new light poles in strategic places and the reinstitution of the call box system.

I, also, will advance the level of technology available on this campus. Every year the SGA has 1.2 million dollar Student Technology budget at their disposal. I n the past, this money has not been fully utilized. As President, I ensure you that every penny of this money will be used and returned back to the students. I will implement the universal card system on this campus. This allows students to use one card at campus restaurants, vending machines, copy machines, and the University bookstore. These are just two things that I promise will happen within the next year. I am an informed, dedicated Senator who has the experience and the know how to make your life better at Northwestern.

Jennifer Jensen

As Vice President of Northwestern State Universities' Student Government Association, my utmost concern will be the quality of student's life on campus. If it weren't for what was published in the Current Sauce, would you know that the SGA even exits? For too long the SGA has passed legislation that has had no significant impact on the student's life. As Vice President, I intend to change this.

Almost every new resident quickly develops the desire to leave the dorms shortly after they move in. The conditions and regulations residents are subjected to are insulting, and we deserve better. I not only intend to increase the maintenance and repair in the dorms, but to also win more freedoms for the students. We should feel like we are in college and not at camp. The doors need fixed, the mildew problem is ridiculous, the dryers do not work, and the restrictions make us feel like we never left home. As a second semester Resident Assistant, I not only see these problems, but I understand how to get them solved. I know what can and cannot be changed, who to talk to, and what moves to make. Under my leadership, I will bring changes to you, the students.

Dustin Floyd

The office of Student Government Association President is a very important job. It's a job where a real change can be made for the students of Northwestern. It's a job I have been training for throughout the last 3 years of my involvement with the SGA.

Throughout the last 3 years I have served as President of the Freshman Class Council, SGA Senator, and Speaker of the Senate. In each role I served, I've tried to govern myself in a manner in which the lives of the students would be enriched by my involvement in kthe organization. If given the opportunity to serve the students as their SGA President my dedication to the students of this university would continue.

If you elect Floyd and Carlisle, you will have a team that works for the students not for the faculty or administration. My administration would work with the faculty and administration, but not for them. The will of the students must always be the most important thing in the mind of the SGA President.

If elected, I will fight for:

* New and upgraded computers in the labs
* Broadband internet access in the dormitories
* NO MORE FEE INCREASES
* A larger selection of food choices in ARAMARK managed dining facilities

It is my pledge to you, if elected my office door will always be open to hear the problems of any student on this campus. We will fight for you!

Please cast your vote for Floyd & Carlisle!

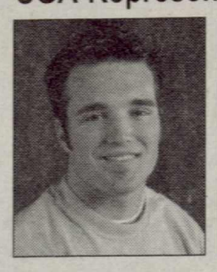
Buster Carlisle

Student Government is a very important job that should not be taken lightly. Dustin Floyd and I saw an opportunity to represent the student body and create real change.

Over the past two years, I have served the students as President of Freshman Class Council, SGA Senator, and Commissioner of Student Affairs. As Mr. Floyd's Vice President I will be committed to the students and not the faculty or administration. This is a job that requires sacrifice, but I feel it is necessary for the well being of the students of Northwestern.

I can promise you if elected we will use the technology fee on what they were meant for. . . technology! We the students pay more fees than any other school in our system; we promise you there will be no more fees or increases. You should be able to trust your SGA President and Vice President, and you will be able to under Floyd and Carlisle.

SGA Representatives at Large



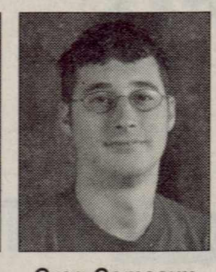
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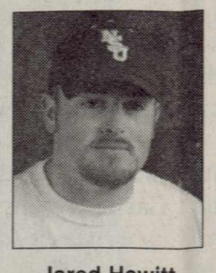
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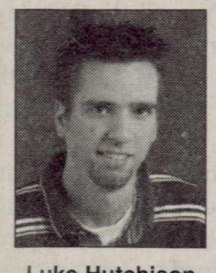
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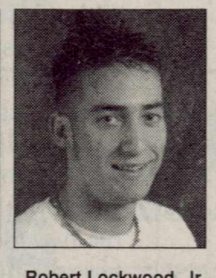
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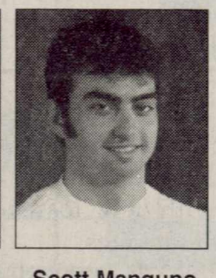
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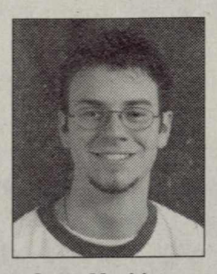
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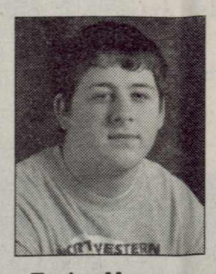
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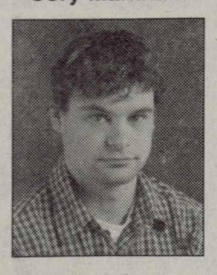
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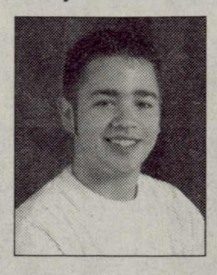
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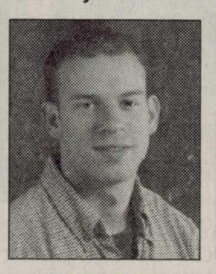
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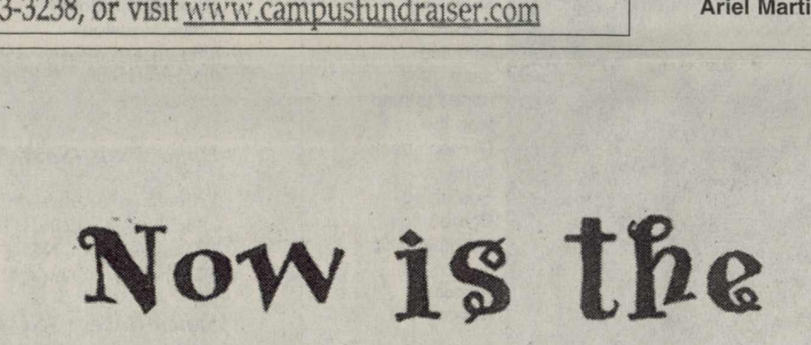
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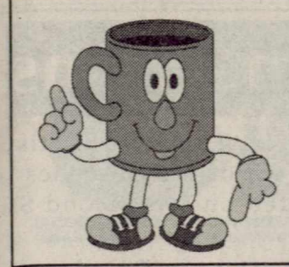
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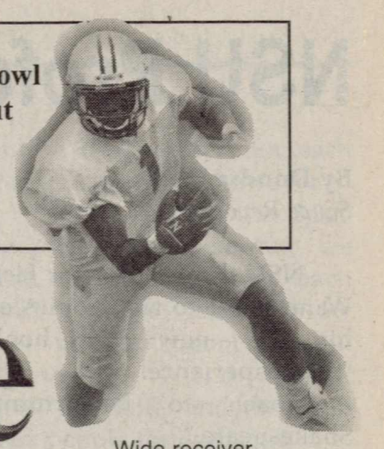


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Wide receiver Freddie Harrison

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Kent State

Kent State researchers want to test anthrax disinfectant

About five years before anthrax spilled from letters and envelopes last fall, a Kent State University professor was dreaming up an airborne way to wipe out large amounts of the deadly spores quickly.

Why not spray some kind of neutralizing agent from a low-flying airplane?

Now, Fadem hopes to attract $1 million in federal funding to boost his studies.

The 50-year-old toxicologist envisions tests with a military transport airplane flying over a remote area of southern Canada and spraying a chemical compound on simulated anthrax.

Michigan St.

Michigan State draws flack for black celebratory program

Many black students who will graduate from Michigan State University in East Lansing next month are excited about MSU's first Black Celebratory, an optional ceremony that will honor them for earning a degree.

But the event has not left everyone feeling festive. Critics say the celebratory is unfair and promotes separatism.

Michael Oden, an MSU senior from Detroit, brought the idea to MSU this year after learning about a similar event the University of Michigan has had for about a decade. He says he did not expect resistance.

Supporters of the celebratory said many black students are the first in their families to attend college, so the accomplishment takes on greater meaning for them, their relatives and friends.

Virginia

U of Virginia's plagiarism scandal nearly over

It began with a blare of publicity-- interviews on CNN and "The Today Show," headlines from New York to London:

More than 100 students at the University of Virginia, home to a 160-year-old honor system, accused of plagiarizing their physics papers!

Nearly a year later, the "cheating scandal" is dribbling to a close _ quietly and, students and professors say, successfully.

Of 157 cases investigated by the student Honor Committee, only 17 remain unresolved, according to statistics released last week. Of the others, 39 students-- less than one-third-- have either dropped out of the university, admitting guilt, or been found guilty.

Campus to see new renovations, soon?

By Callie Reames
Sauce Reporter
With Copy Editor Garrett Guillotte contributing

NSU is ever changing, but ever so slowly.

Most awaited among these changes is the renovation of the Intramural Building. The building was opened in 1940 as the men's gymnasium, and its renovation has been planned since students passed a 25-year, $75 per semester fee during the fall 1998 semester.

It is now entering the first stages of a long-awaited makeover.

Physical Plant Director Loren Lindsey said the IM will undergo a three-week hazardous material and asbestos removal within the next month.

Following the removal, contractors will begin the 15-month gutting and renovation, expanding the existing building to three floors and adding 41,000 square feet of space.

Students have paid the IM fee since the beginning of 1999 to fund the construction and eventual operation of the new IM, to be named the Demon Wellness, Recreation and Activity Center.

However, despite an original timetable suggesting that renovations on the IM could have been completed as early as January 2001, little progress has taken place.

Luke Dowden, assistant director of student activities and organizations and the SGA president during the 1998 student referendum, expressed disappointment at the slow pace of the renovations.



Photo by Glenn Ward

Dodd Hall residents hold a dorm field day in front of St. Denis Hall. St. Denis Hall is one of many homes to the new signs that can be found around campus.

"That (original timetable) was what we believed," Dowden said. "I honestly believed these were good projections... We were probably idealistic."

Dowden said it took the University a year just to acquire detailed renovation plans, and that the University has stayed with those plans throughout the planning process.

"I would have liked to seen it built, but I understand why it isn't," Dowden said. "I think it's important that the original ideas stay the same."

IM Director Marc Deshotel said the case is a state issue and is comparable to other state construction projects, but added that the Physical Plant's projected timeframe could have optimistic.

"It's still in the planning stage," Facilities Coordinator W. K. Norman said. He said the University would seek bids on the full renovations in the next 60 days, with the construction finishing an estimated eighteen months from now.

"All we do is make generalities," Norman said. "We make approximate time tables."

In the meantime, students have only been able to access the IM's weight room equipment through a makeshift gym in the Rapides Hall basement.

"It's good that they kept something open, but it's not the ideal weight room," junior David Fox said.

Freshman Ahmad Brown, however, preferred the new location.

"More people can get to it," Brown said.

Housing conditions have also been a great concern of campus residents, but Housing Director Woody Blair said leaky roofs, cracking plaster, and past-due repairs should become a thing of the past on campus.

Blair said renovations on Varnado, Sabine and

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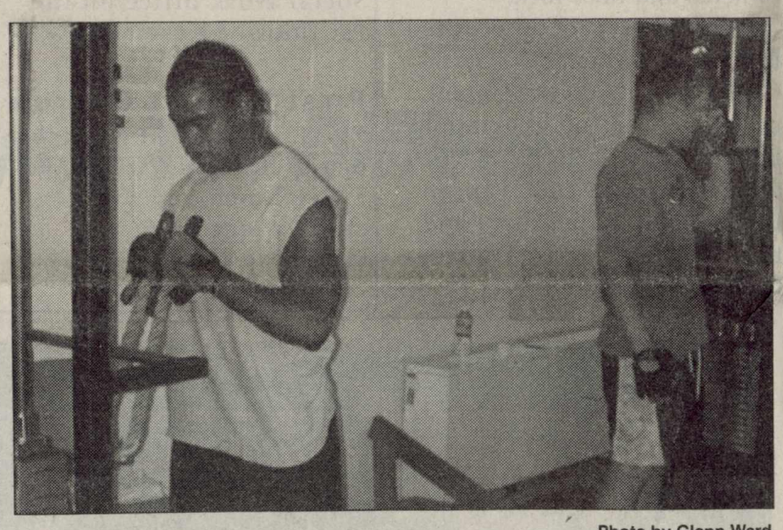


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(From left) Freshman Ahmad Brown and junior David Fox lift weights and exercise in the basement of Rapides Hall, where the IM has been relocated.

Campus safety issues arise after recent breakins; no new leads

By Britton Faucon
Sauce Reporter

New safety procedures have been implemented for Sabine Hall after the spring break-ins.

"The response from students has been mostly positive," Sheila Gentry, Sabine area coordinator, said. "Males don't actually like the idea of checking in all of their male friends."

Gentry said all male visitors must check into Sabine and can be asked to present student identification at any time.

"I find it is inconvenient because girls get to walk around with girls, but now with the guys it is much more of a hassle," Derick Jones, a sophomore resident of Sabine, said. "We have to worry about signing them (males) in now."

Gentry said the housing office repaired the ID card entry system the Wednesday after the return from Spring Break.

Gentry said the housing office has also increased the hours for Sabine Residential Advisors. An RA is assigned to the duty by the exit doors at midnight and will remain on watch until 6 a.m. the next morning.

Gentry said that the fire doors can no longer be used to enter or exit the building unless in the case of an emergency. Gentry said that an alarm will be set off if anyone opens the fire doors.

Gentry said RAs stand by the front entrance while they are on night duty. At any time if a suspicious subject enters the dorm, Gentry said RAs will check for valid student identification.

Gentry said that all maintenance staff and Red River cleaning service personnel are required to have proper identification as well.

University Detective Doug Prescott and the University Police Department have been investigating the break-ins. Prescott said that the police is in the process of interviewing residents who were present over the holidays and any maintenance staff who had access to rooms.

Prescott said that after interviewing residents who resided in the dorms over the break, the majority responded that suspicious persons were carrying items around campus. Prescott said the students said these people were of college age but didn't look like students of NSU. The break-in case is still under investigation.

Gentry said that Sabine Dorm Council has made an effort to replace some of the items stolen from the residents. Gentry said the members of the dorm council took up a private collection of money to purchase textbooks and academic CDs to help replace items that were stolen.

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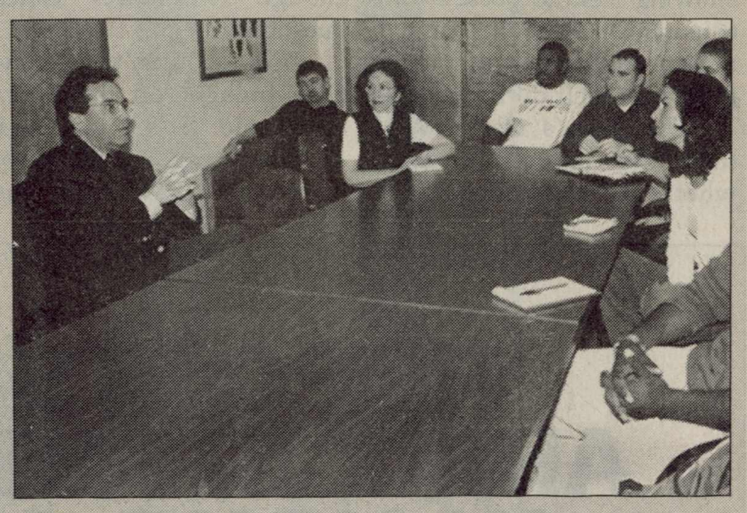


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Research Day

Director of Harvard University press William Sisler spoke with several journalism students and professors at Northwestern State University's 2002 Research Day.Sisler spoke about the importance of a college press, as well as his day-to-day duties. Sisler also spoke on the future of hardcopy books.

Campus students ready for early registration

By Kira Gervais
Sauce Reporter

Early Internet and telephone registration for the 2002 summer and fall semesters began Wednesday.

Graduate students and seniors with at least 92 class hours could begin registering for classes Wednesday. Juniors with at least 60 hours can begin today, and sophomores with at least 30 hours can begin on Friday.

Donna Jones, director of academic services, said a student could register with the classification he or she will be after completing this semester.

Departmental registration for any student with less than 30 hours begins on April 15 and ends on April 19.

Early Internet registration for the summer 2002 semester ends on May

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NSU Professor holds book signing Friday

By Dondra Lewis
Sauce Reporter

NSU theater director Jack Wann is set to sign copies of his new book "Shakesperience! An Approach to Performing Shakespeare."

Wann is scheduled to sign copies of his newly released book Friday at 5 p.m. at the A.A. Fredricks Auditorium. Copies of the book will be available at the signing for $16.95 each.

"The book is a no-nonsense, straight-forward way for people who haven't had experience in acting or producing to learn," Wann said.

Wann worked on the book two years before completing it for the Northwestern State University Press to publish. Wann said he hopes one day his book will be cleared with the curriculum committees at NSU and other universities to be used in theatre classes.

J. Michael Kenny, owner of The Book Merchant on Front Street, said Wann will have another public book signing there from 2 to 4 p.m. on May 11.



Photo by Gary Hardamon
University theater professor and now author Jack Wann (above left) will release his book "Shakesperience!" tomorrow at 5 p.m. at the A.A. Fredricks Auditorium.

Registration

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10, and early Internet registration for the fall 2002 semester ends on Aug. 2.

If students do not register early for classes, Jones said that they could register for classes during regular registration. Regular registration for summer classes begins on the day before each session begins. Jones said regular registration for the summer classes is only departmental.

Regular registration for the fall 2002 classes begins on Aug. 20 and ends on Sept. 3. Jones said students could use the Internet or telephone for regular registration, instead of using departmental registration, for the fall semester as long as they meet the class hour requirements.

Jones would definitely recommend that students register early for classes if they are eligible.

"It's a definite advantage to schedule the classes that you want at the times that you need them," Jones said.

Many students do take advantage of early registration.

Sophomore business administration major Dustin Mares said, "I want to register early for classes so I don't have to take eight o' clock classes like I did that past two years."

Kristen McLaurin, a junior music education major, said, "I'm going to register early for classes because I would like to get the classes I want at the time I want them."

Senate shoots down controversial legislation; respond to recent breakins

By Andrew David
Sauce Reporter

A bill allowing dorm residents aged 21 and older to possess and consume alcohol in their dorm rooms failed at Monday's SGA meeting.

The bill, sponsored by senator Beau Boudreaux, was met with opposition that he considered politically motivated. Boudreaux said due to this week's elections no one wanted to be associated with controversial legislation.

The proposal outlined the opinion that the University would be able to keep a larger portion of its 21 and older students on-campus by allowing them to possess and consume alcohol in a responsible manner within the privacy of their dorm rooms.

The dorm's staff would determine the condition of what is considered a responsible manner, and residents of legal age could be disciplined if they were to possess or consume alcohol within the presence of a minor.

Although Boudreaux felt that he had presented his position clearly, that did not prevent the onslaught of opposition the bill received as senator Keith Gates successfully moved to indefinitely postpone the legislation.

"If you're going to live on campus and you're 21, and you've made it to this point you've obviously demonstrated some form of self-restraint," Boudreaux said.

That assumption was not enough to answer Gates' questions.

"This shouldn't even have been brought on the floor," Gates' said. "First thing, this is a University, not a bar. If you want to drink, that's fine. Just go down to the Pinnacle or The Student Body, just don't do it here at the University."

The SGA also granted more than $10,000 to the NSU Crew in order to purchase a new dock. Crew President Kristin Huben cited the crew's success and productive fundraising efforts as reasons to be given money. After the meeting, Huben expressed her excitement over the SGA's decision.

"It's really important to the rowing team to have a good dock and we're just really happy about that," Huben said.

In response to recent break-ins at Sabine two bills dealing with security issues were also passed. The first, authored by Speaker of the Senate and presidential candidate Dustin Floyd and senators Buster Carlisle and Greg Comeaux, dealt with the tightening of existent security measures within the dorms as well the additions of new cameras and door locks.

The other piece of security legislation, authored by Stacie Cosby and Adam Pennell, called for 13 new exterior lighting fixtures to be placed around Varnado Hall, Watson Library, the Natatorium and the Health and Human Performances building.

Campus Connections

Percussion Ensemble Concert

The NSU Percussion Ensemble will hold a concert on Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in Magale Recital Hall. There will be a premier performance piece by the Dave Matthews Band titled "Ants Marching" arranged by Cherissa Legendre. There will also be another premier piece titled "Somewhere in Time" arranged by Chris McCartle. The concert is free for everyone.

Student Government Association

The **SGA** is looking for new members. There are five positions for senator and one position for supreme court. Students interested in filling these positions should stop by Room 222 of the Student Union.

NSU Social Work Club

The NSU Social Work Club will be assisting Porter's Cleaners and KSLA (Channel 12 News) with Project Bear Hugs by collecting stuffed animals starting Friday and ending April 22. Anyone wishing to donate should place their contributions in a specially marked container located in the Social Work office on the 1st floor of Kyser Hall.

First Baptist Church

The **First Baptist Church** of Natchitoches will have a free lunch and Bible study every Sunday following their 11 a.m. service. The First Baptist Church of Natchitoches is located on 508 Second St.

Catholic Student Organization

The **CSO** will have a theology study and faith sharing Sunday nights at 8, followed by the 9:30 Mass. Bible Study is every Tuesday night at 8, and Fellowship is every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m., followed by a free meal. Everyone is welcome. For more info, contact Amy Dowden at 352-2615.

Baptist Collegiate Ministry

The **BCM** will have Wednesday night worship across the street from Watson Library every week. The worship begins at 8:31. All students are welcome to attend. The BCM also has a $1 lunch encounter on Thursdays from 11:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. For more information call the BCM at 352-5464.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes

FCA will be having its weekly fellowship every Tuesday night. The meetings are held in the athletic field house on the south end of Turpin Stadium at 8. There will be a devotional speaker each week. Everyone is welcome.

***To see your Campus Connections in next week's edition of The Current Sauce, drop off your information in the Campus Connection box in Room 225 of Kyser Hall.**

REPORTS OF ARMY SIGHTINGS IN YOUR AREA

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Renovations

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Boozman dormitories are scheduled to begin in May. NSU workers will repair problem areas and repaint walls in the buildings.

"Hopefully when everyone comes back in the fall, everything will be up and running," Blair said.

Boozman residential assistant Kristen Huben said there are several problems in her dorm that need fixing.

"There tend to be a lot of leaks, just small ones, but they add up," Huben said. Huben also said she would like to see the alarm system functional on all of the building's entrances again. The alarm system has been disabled for the last three semesters, and the rear entrance currently does not lock.

Blair said construction of a new dormitory on campus is being planned. If state requirements, construction plans, University of Louisiana System procedures and other legal issues come into place, construction could begin in fall 2002.

Blair said the dorm would be planned around students' wants and needs concerning on-campus housing. Details, including which students will reside there and its location, have not yet been determined.

Physical Plant director Loran Lindsey said that in addition to the dorm repairs, a new floor and sound system in Prather Coliseum and re-roofing of the Athletic Fieldhouse should be completed by fall 2002. Recent renovations on campus also included waterproofing walls on the P.E. Majors' building, adding new signs for several buildings on campus and the re-roofing of Kyser Hall.

Lindsey said there are only a few workers for each maintenance area, however.

"When there were 5,200 people on this campus, we had seven people for each craft," Lindsey said. "Now there are 9,200 people here, in Shreveport and Fort Polk/Leesville, and there are four people for each craft."

Lindsey said budgetary limits have kept the plant's staff small.

"We probably have about half the number of people to give the kind of service that we would like to give," Lindsey said.

Lindsey said when buildings on campus are renovated or constructed, the University chooses an outside contractor to complete those projects. The renovations of the IM building and Morrison Hall are to be contracted out to companies offering the best price and quality.

Minutes 04-08-02

I. Call to Order- 7:10p.m.

The prayer was lead by Beau Boudreaux. The pledge was lead by Buster Carlisle.

Roll Call

Present

Leanna Anderson
Beau Boudreaux
Leslie Bean
Buster Carlisle
Greg Comeaux
Stacie Cosby
Dustin Floyd
Keith Gates
Sarah Griffith
Tometrius Grier
Liz Hughes
Jennifer Jensen
Linzie Ledford
Scott Manguno
Mindy McConnell
Adam Pennell
Zack Pulliam
James Rolf
Melissa Snelling
Cade Strong
Frank Toro
Torrey Washington

Absent

Jana Freeman
Rusty Broussard
Luke Hutchison
Jeremy Malmay
Travis Williams
Dustin Matthews
Patrick Peoples
Adam Stoll

II. Executive Reports

Treasurer- Frank Toro

Went over and explained budget. There is still a lot of expenses coming up. (Freshmen Connection T- shirts, End of the year banquet.) If anyone has any questions see me. Fiscal has two pieces of legislation up tonight.

James Rolf walked in.

Vice President -Dustin Matthews

Good luck in elections. Go to the debate.

President - Rusty Broussard

Rusty was not feeling well. Elections coming up. STAT meeting tomorrow, Rusty will e-mail you for the time. Debate tomorrow.

III. Departmental Reports

Academic Affairs- Stacie Cosby

It will be $5,500 for Senator Rigsby to come next semester. We will be booking the ballroom. The last weekend in April will be ballroom dancing from 2-4. Please do your Scantron hours.

Sarah Griffith walked in.

External Affairs- Greg Comeaux

Last week Jennifer Jensen and Adam Stoll made signs for elections. We will be putting up banners tomorrow. VOTE!

Fiscal Affairs- Frank Toro

No news in Org. Grants. Club Sports has two bills up in old business. One for the Rowing team, and one for Lacrosse. Review by-laws.

Internal Affairs- Dustin Floyd

We briefly met. Computer usage in office discussed.

Student Affairs- Buster Carlisle

Traffic and Safety and Appeals coming up. Went over the people wanted for the forum.

SAB Report- Beau Boudreaux

Freshmen Factor is now a committee. Next week is Spring Fling

Advisor's Report- Mr. Henry

Mr. Henry was not present his report was given by Luke Dowden. Good luck with elections. We are getting the machines to count the ballots.

Supreme Court Report- Supreme Court Justice

None.

IV. Old Business

Bill SP02-022 up dealing with dorm privatization. Greg Comeaux moves to approve, Zack Pulliam seconds. Motion passes by role call vote 19-2-0.

Bill SP02-023 up dealing with ADA, Greg Comeaux moves to approve, Beau Boudreaux seconds. Motion passes by role call vote 21-0-0.

Bill SP02-025 dealing with campus safety. Greg Comeaux moves to approve, Zack Pulliam seconds. Motion passes by role call vote 21-0-0.

Bill SP02-026 up dealing with Club Lacrosse money. Beau Boudreaux moves to approve, Greg Comeaux seconds. Motion passes by role call vote 19-2-0.

Bill SP02-027 Rowing team money up. Greg Comeaux moves to approve, Jennifer Jensen seconds. Motion passes by role call vote 21-0-0.

Bill SP02-028 dealing with the consumption of alcohol in dorms. Greg Comeaux moves to approve, Zack Pulliam seconds. Keith Gates moves to postpone the bill, Melissa Snelling seconds. Motion passes by role call vote 17-4-0.

V. New Business

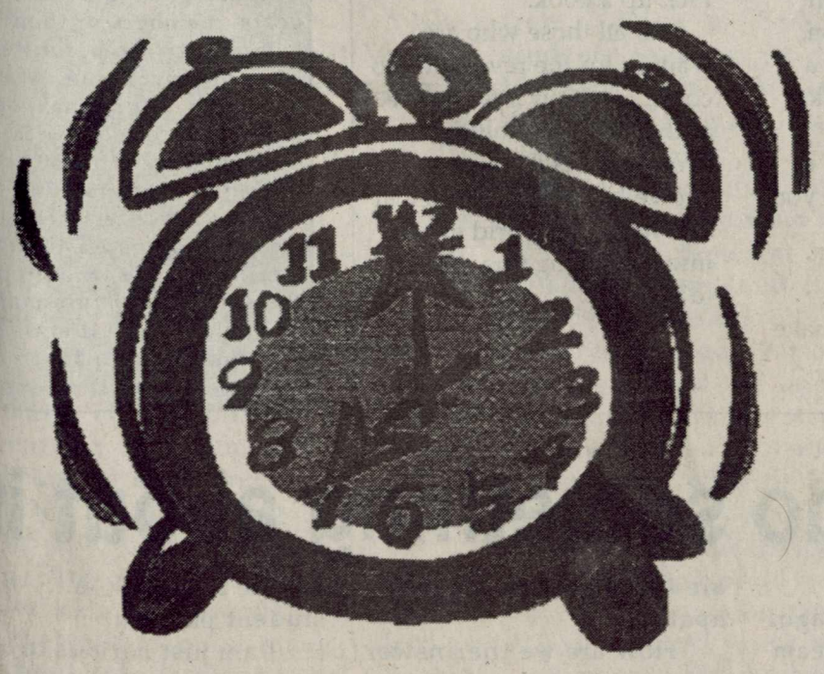
Bill SP02-029 is up for next week dealing with Agriculture Education.

VI. Announcements

Thanks to the Senators who did Star Calling. You have to do at least one hour, so if you haven't done yours yet, sign up in the office for April 10th.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 pm.

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Tiff's*Take*

Nothing good can come from drinking and driving

A very dear friend of mine was in a horrific accident with a drunk driver. He or she was in my car when the accident occurred. The driver and passenger of the other vehicle were so drunk that, as it was rolling over from the impact of the collision, beer cans poured onto the street.



Tiffany Trichell
Tiff's Take

My friend is now in a hospital and may not be able to walk for several months. He or she was almost killed because of someone's ignorant abuse of alcohol.

The students of this university need to realize that drinking may appear to be fun and the thing to do at the time, but nothing good can come from it.

According to the National Safe Rides web site, 12 million undergraduate college students in this country will die from alcohol-related causes-- more than the number of those students that will receive a master's and doctorate combined. 1.3 million innocent people per year are injured or have vehicles damages from accidents with a drunken driver.

I have to admit that before this accident I was just as eager as any one else to go out and have a couple of drinks. Since this has occurred, however, I have realized that just having a couple of drinks can cost an innocent person their legs or even their lives.

I sincerely hope that none of the students here will have to experience the same agony of not knowing if your friend is going to live that I did. One person's ignorance almost cost another person his or her life.

As we all prepare for finals and the summer, the occasional night out will be needed by all of us.

If you do decide to drink, I hope and pray that you will make the possibly life saving decision not to drive.

Tiffany Trichell is a junior English major. Her column appears weekly in *The Current Sauce*.

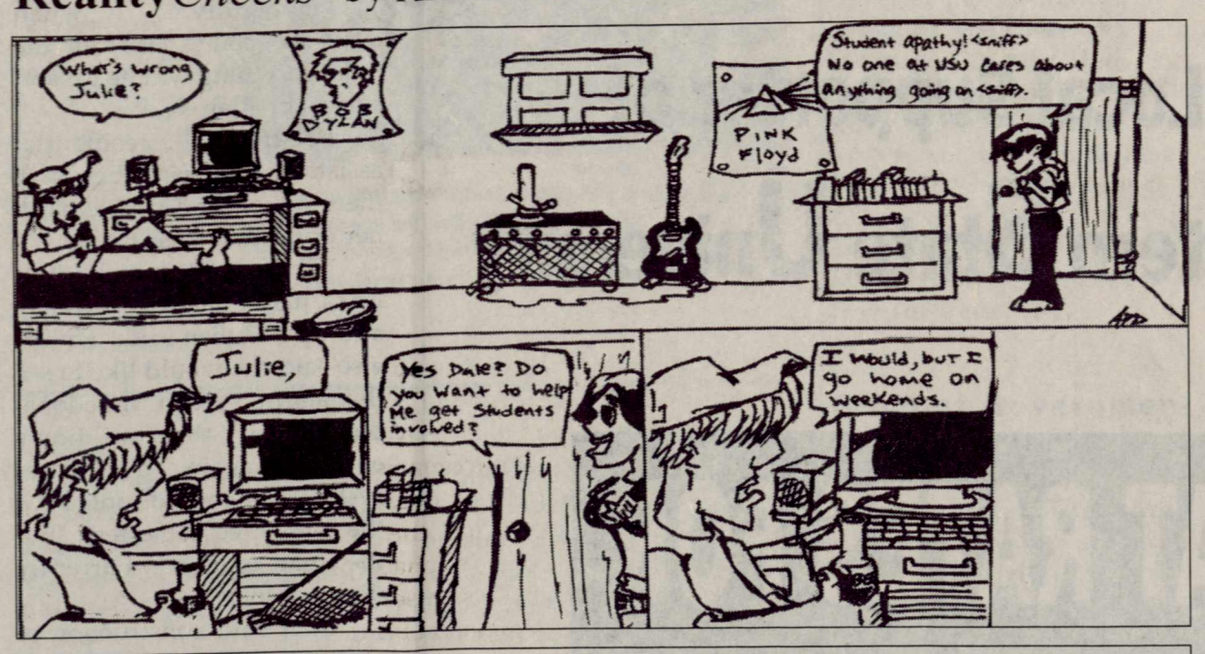
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Reality*Checks* by Andrew David



Letters to the Editor

Student shares his opinion on what it means to be an African American college student

Tommie Braden
Senior

Most people who will read this (if it ever gets to print) will wonder where'd this come from. He's just another face in the crowd, no one who has ever really been outspoken. I believe that is the point. Easy enough to explain, because of the lack of cultural diversity at NSU, it would be wonderful to say that due to an epiphany, I realized that I had to find the true identity in this society that we call America. Some people spend their whole lives looking for that identity, the true "blackness" within themselves.

So many of today's black minds accept what is right in front of them, they see this as how they are suppose to be. Granted, in the media filled society we live in, ideas have a tendency to be molded instead of developed or better yet created. Say the names Cose, Ellison, Baldwin, to speak of just a few and out of the whole population of black men on this campus, it would be generous to say that 10% could give you their first names. Or better yet, how many know the three black CEO's of AOL, AmEx, ____ (fill in the blank). So many are caught up in the silent revolution against the "system" that they don't realize that they make it even stronger in doing so. To make a new, a thing, or change a thing, you have to understand that thing. Why can it not be considered "black" to be a fencer, a nuclear physicist, a stockbroker, or a geologist? As far as I can see or tell, being "black" is contradictory in a sense. You are who you are regardless of your color. What you do does not define your blackness.

This I believe has developed from the keeping it real mentality. Keeping it real, has developed into a state of don't sell out. Sell out to who, yourself and the ideas and aspirations that you can have for yourself. The realization that you have the infinite possibility to create change. What is sadder than to see someone who in their acceptance of the place in which society supposedly tells him to be, does nothing, or is it better to see someone who exceeds all expectations and creates for himself and his family, and his family's family, an environment of stability, assurance, respect and admiration?

Before I go on and on back to the true evolution. Stop right now and take a second to think of a black male you know on this campus. Unless you are in the select few, the image you have is not that of Ben Carson (history lesson for those of you who don't know). Okay, I'll even make it easier, an image of Thomas Raines. Some of you still having trouble, okay, but this is as far as I am going, Michael Jordan, of the court. Ah hah, moving on. Two major realizations for success, there is a professional attitude and a social attitude. THEY DO NO MIX. As a black man, we will forever be caught in the limbo of what those two attitudes entail. When to have one or the other, newsflash, rap, hip-hop, these are forms of entertainment, not lifestyles. Unless you have enough creative ability to make it on your own, I suggest you choose another avenue.

This evolution came from the middle class upbringing. An awakening of the spirit and the want to say to all those feeling sorry for themselves and their position, _____ that, get some drive, have a want in you to feel deserving of everything you cam make happen for yourself, God willing. Everyday people make it, yet these stories we don't hear. Do you really need to hear them to know they exist? If you need that affirmation, do what I know most of you are afraid to do. Pick up a book.

To all those who are waiting for the revolution to come, use your intelligence, at the base of revolution is evolution. YOU must evolve before you can revolt and make the world evolve into something you want it to be.

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Editor's*Take*

Tired of student apathy? Get up and do something about it

I hate student apathy at NSU.

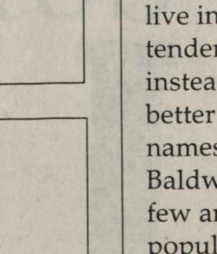
How many times have you heard someone say, "Dude, there's nothing to do here, let's go to Lafayette?"

Or how about, "I don't care, I am leaving next year anyway?"

And my favorite: "Who cares about this cesspool of a town?"

Alright, so maybe Natchitoches isn't that great of a town. But we've got to hand it to them, they do try.

Let's take last week's 7th Annual Natchitoches Jazz and R&B Festival, for example. There should have been (lots of emphasis on should have been) thousands of NSU students at the festival. The city of Natchitoches lowered the price of admission from $10 to $5 for college students, they had two stages set up that were geared towards the "college crowd", and they even sold beer on the streets (and we know that the selling of alcohol on Natchitoches' beloved bricks is unheard of).



Kaleb Breaux
Managing Editor

One of the stages even featured Kelvin, one of the greatest bands to come out of Natchitoches. Well, maybe if Jim Croce would have made it out, then he may have ended up to be great, but we all know how that ended. But Kelvin is making it, and they are doing a damn good job.

Natchitoches did its part, where were you?

I could probably count on one hand the number of NSU students that I saw during the festival Saturday. The city is doing its part, but now it is time for us to contribute to show them that we, as students, do care.

The Jazz and R&B Festival is not the only place where apathy exists. I don't know if some of you know this, but we have athletics on campus as well. We have a halfway decent football team, a men's basketball team that made it to the NCAA tournament two years ago, a women's basketball team who a great season last season, and an excellent softball team.

Call me crazy, but I think that they would probably enjoy seeing you at their events.

Student apathy is something that is ever-present on this campus, and we are always complaining about how miserable life is here. I think it is the reason that we cannot get a cool band for Spring Fling, and it's the reason that MTV invades Tech and not NSU.

Well, I am here to preach the good gospel to put an end to student apathy as we know it. We are the answer to student apathy.

How are we the answer you ask? For starters, you can stop going home every weekend. I must admit, I too was a victim of the very frequent trip home. However, I became a sophomore and was weaned off my mother's breast.

A second step that we can take to put an end to student apathy is to attend lots of stuff and get involved. I know that the students in the SGA and SAB get tired of seeing one another, because they are the only students who are constantly attending everything. Why not mingle with members of the SGA and SAB. It could be like a huge SGA/SAB student party.

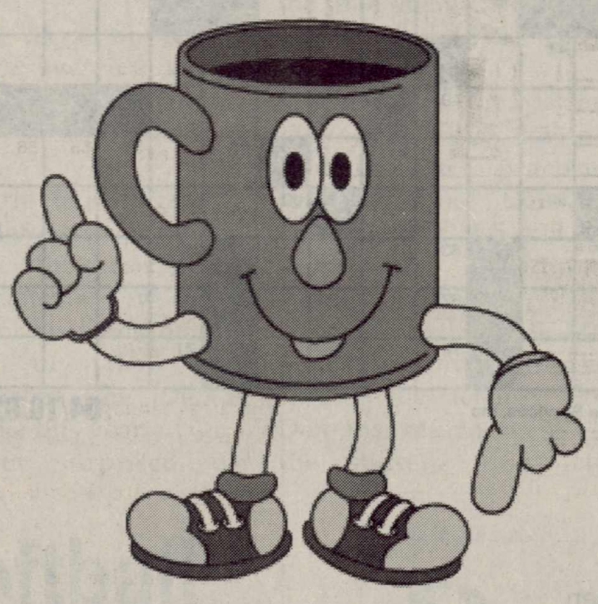
I am just curious to know what is keeping you from attending on- and off-campus events. Do students stink? Do they have bad breath? Are they not cool enough? I want you to tell me what reasons you have to not attend events. Here's how it'll work: you write in and tell me what the problems are, and we can print them for everyone to see. Send your complaints with your name and classification on them to currentsauce@hotmail.com. So vote for me, Kaleb Breaux. I will fight to end student apathy forever.

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Got Java?



The best places to find coffee in Natchitoches

By Glenn Ward
Sauce Reporter

Espresso. Mocha latte. Cappuccino... all familiar words in the world of java, but at NSU one word is hard to find- available.

In Natchitoches, a true connoisseur can have a tough time finding a decent cup of coffee, assuming they find the taste of Community and Folger's unacceptably bland. Out of the many businesses in town, only a handful offer a premium blend.

When The Current Sauce conducted this evaluation, we tasted the best...and we tasted the worst. So for brevity, all gas stations, fast-food chains and restaurants are not listed unless they offer something special to the coffee shop experience. That left the four ranked numerically from one to four by taste, price, atmosphere, location, hours, and java variety. A perfect rating of four means that what the business offers is comparable to that of a real coffee shop.

Natchitoches has been home to coffee shops before, but since Café Isabel closed its doors in 2000 there has been a void...and no business has filled the cup.

Former owner Frank Schickentanz opened Café Isabel around Easter of 1996 and he said that "except for Scholars' College students and the Louisiana School kids, we had a problem getting customers.

"The problem was location. If students have an hour, do they really want to lose their parking spot on campus to go to Front Street?"

But for the students who do travel to Front Street, there's not only gift shops and ducks, but also the best coffee in town.

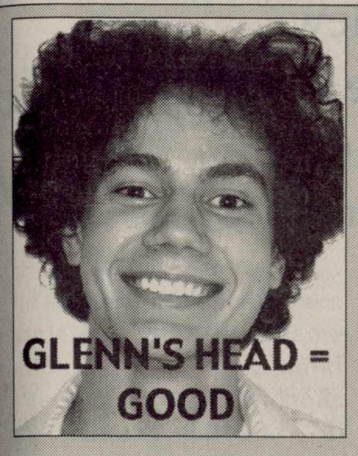
Merci Beaucoup ranked highest in taste and variety, because they really do offer good coffee cappuccinos and lattes, but just buying sixteen types of beans and a cappuccino machine doesn't cut it. The customer should feel relaxed, not herded like cattle. Merci Beaucoup has great coffee, but the atmosphere feels like, what else, a gift shop. Especially since there are no seats, except one lonely bench that an elderly lady reading The Natchitoches Times was sitting at.

The Pioneer Pub received the second-highest rating due to its accommodating hours of operation and live music. Pub owner Howard Fitzhugh said they offer "a decent cup for a decent price." Although there is almost no coffee variety, several name brands of alcohol can be added to the drink on request. And while several other restaurants do the same, The Pub's java holds its own. The live music scene on Thursday through Saturday is the best in town. But there still is no coffee house vibe...

Until you walk behind the green tapestry on Front Street to find a library of books, coffee, and...cats. For 75 cents, a customer at The Book Merchant can drink as much coffee as he can take while flipping through copies of Thoreau and listening to the soft purrs of the shop's resident cats Princess and Samuel.

"I am a book shop," Book Merchant owner J. Michael Kenny said, "but I also offer my own special blend of ground beans. I call it The Cane River Blend."

With that said, Aramark's managed food services, including Vic's and The Alley, have the best location on campus and reasonable prices, but the cafeteria atmosphere, sporatic hours, and coffee that tastes like motor oil affect Aramark's claim to monopoly. "It is not the greatest," Scholars' College junior Sally Hernandez said, "but if you really need a boost, it works."



The "G" Spot
Rating System

The "G" Spot rating system is a numerical system by which Glenn rated the cups of java. The more heads Glenn gives, the better the cup.

Business	Taste	Price	Atmosphere	Variety	Hours
Merci Beaucoup 720 Front St.	4	2	1	4	1
Pioneer Pub 812 Washington St.	2	2	3	2	4
The Book Merchant 512 Front Street	3	4	4	3	2
Aramark NSU	1	4	4	1	3

SAB Spring fling kicks off next week

By Britton Faucon
Sauce Reporter

The Student Activities Board has scheduled "We be Jammin' at NSU" Spring Fling 2002 for April 15-19.

Spring Fling kicks off Monday with a coffeehouse comedy jam in the Student Union Ballroom at 8 p.m. with comedians Michael Jr., Daniel Tosh and Brad Lowery. Chris Lee, the Student Activities Board special events chairperson, said Michael Jr. recently appeared on Jay Leno's late night show.

Tuesday, pull out your blankets and rev your engines for a drive-in movie at the Coliseum Parking lot starting at 8 p.m. The board will bring a big screen showing of "Ocean's 11" to the campus of NSU.

Lee said that immediately following the movie students can groove to popular music videos as they are displayed on the big screen.

"This year we did the drive-in movie instead of indoors," Lee said. "It is going to be a lot of fun if the weather holds out for it."

Between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. in the Student Union lobby on Wednesday, each student can capture a memory of the 2002 semester by receiving a free 5X7 superimposed photo of themselves or with friends through Ultimate Imaging. Lee said there are hundreds of backgrounds to choose from. "Being on SAB, we know students love to get free items," Lee said. "We took that idea and used it for Ultimate Imaging."

The Order of Omega is sponsoring Songfest 2002 in A.A. Fredericks Auditorium at 8 p.m. on Wednesday. Songfest coordinator, Kristin Wilkins, said the theme is Broadway Musicals. Wilkins said a variety of organizations around campus signed up and each will perform a 5-minute segment of a Broadway Musical. Wilkins said contestants will be judged on synchronization, audience appeal, costumes, and creativity.

Brian Brushwood will open for Recycled Percussion at 7:30 p.m. in A.A. Fredericks Auditorium.

Lee said Brushwood performs "Bazzarre Magic" for the students of NSU.

"It is really hard to explain what he does," Lee said. "He does magic that is kind of gross, but it is also intriguing."

Recycled Percussion walks to the beat of their own drum by using everyday items as their instruments.

Performing on Thursday, "they beat on garbage drums, metals, and I have even see them use a kitchen sink [in their show]," Lee said.

"They are one of the hottest college acts right now," Lee said.

Friday is the annual crawfish boil. Lee said there will be live entertainment by Da Entourage and The Shack Daddies from 2 to 5 p.m.

Terrica Wallace, Student Activities Board concert chairperson, said The Shack Daddies are a Lousiana band and play cover songs, zydeco and original music.

Wallace said The Shack Daddies have opened up for Stroke 9, an alternative band.

Lee said there will be giant inflatables including a joust ring, a Velcro wall and giant Jurassic obstacle course.

As Spring Fling 2002 comes to an end, Lee said students can cherish the event by taking home candle art or a wax molding of their hand.

All of the events during April 15-19 are free with a current student ID.

Spring fling Schedule of events

Monday: --Coffeehouse---Comedy jam in the Student Union Ballroom at 8 p.m.

Tuesday: --Drive-in Movie-- "Ocean's 11" to be shown at the Coliseum Parking lot starting at 8 p.m.

Wednesday:--Ultimate Imaging--10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Student Union lobby ; A free 5X7 superimposed photo of students by themselves or with friends . At 8 p.m., The Order of Omega is sponsoring Songfest 2002 in A.A. Fredericks Auditorium.

Thursday:--Recycled Percussion--7:30 pm. with opening act Brian Brushwood:Bazzare Magic

Friday:--Crawfish boil--Live entertainment by Da Entourage and The Shack Daddies from 2 to 5 p.m.

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CROSS INTO THE BLUE

Rain puts a damper on Red, White and Blue barbecue

By Dominique Irvin
Sauce Reporter

The Student Activities Board held its delayed "Red, White and Blue Barbecue" Monday afternoon. The barbecue was originally scheduled for March 11, in honor of the six-month anniversary of the September 11 terrorist attacks but was cancelled that day due to weather concerns.

"It's the same idea, kind of," Lagniappe Committee Chair Marion Yelverton said about the change.

"[Now] it's like a Fourth of July celebration type thing. We just figured a barbecue, little games and stuff would be your ideal thing for that."

Unfortunately, Monday was also a rainy day.

"We had planned to have it out at IM field and have a lot of games," Yelverton said.

The barbecue was moved to the front of the IM building where a purple and white tent was set up.

"[We planned] more interactive stuff instead of being stuck inside a building, but it's alright," Yelverton said.

Yelverton said canceling the barbecue on Monday was not really an option.

"We needed to do it because we ordered the food from Aramark and they had it already ready for us so we had to do something with it this week and this was the only day because we have a lot more events this week for SAB," Yelverton said.

Overall, Yelverton said about 50 people, at the most, attended the event.

"I'm sure if the weather was better, the turnout would have been better," Yelverton said. " I know a lot of people haven't even gone to class today."

For those who missed the barbecue, it is possible that another one will be held in the fall. As for Monday, "I don't know if I would call it a success," Yelverton said, "but it was pretty good for what it was."

University of Pennsylvania researchers focusing on genetics of depression

Courtesy Knight Ridder Newspapers

Scientists have known for years that genetics plays a part in serious mental illnesses.

But multiple genes appear to be involved, and figuring out which combinations are responsible requires comparing large numbers of DNA samples.

The University of Pennsylvania is participating in three large studies of mental illnesses that ultimately will lead to a repository of genetic material from people with depression, schizophrenia and bipolar disorder that scientists from around the world can use.

The genetic connections they discover likely "will lead to a huge revolution in how medicines are looked for and developed," Levinson said. Knowing which genes make people susceptible to mental illness and knowing how those genes affect the body chemically will help scientists create better drugs, he said.

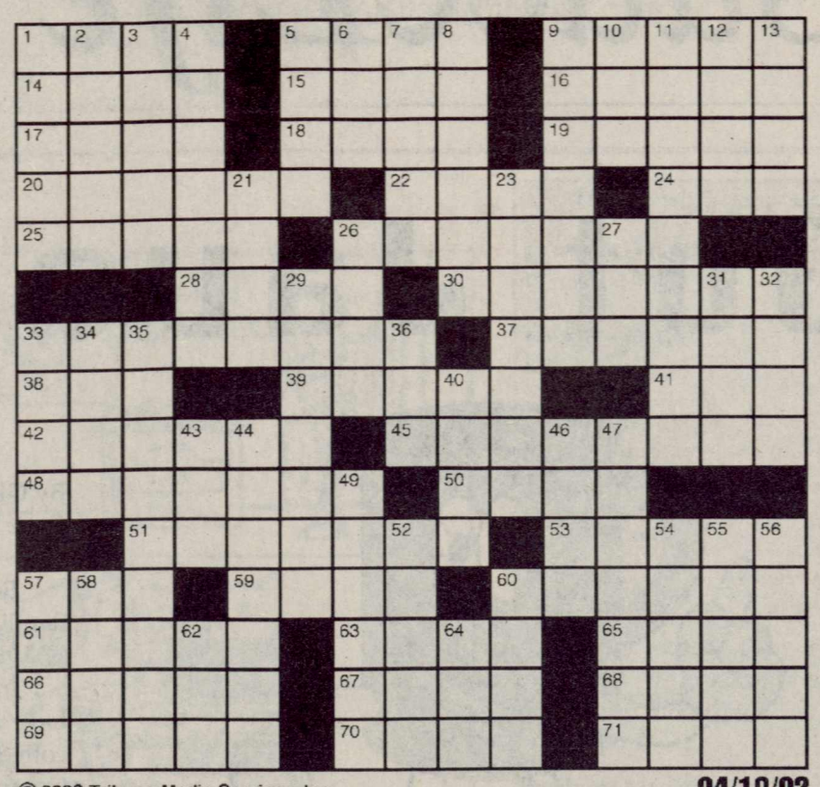
Initially, genetic samples collected by Penn and other universities will be analyzed at the Center for Inherited Disease Research in Baltimore, a collaborative venture of the National Institutes of Health and Johns Hopkins University.

It will try to flag areas of chromosomes likely to be related to the mental illnesses.

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Spring practice ends with tonight's Delaney Bowl

By Rondray Hill
Editor

15 days of spring practice weren't nearly enough, according to new Demon head coach Scott Stoker.

With new offensive and defensive schemes, coach Stoker would appreciate a few more days for his team to learn some of the new approaches the Demos will take this year.

"I'm surprised we picked things up as fast as we did," Stoker said. "By the time the team starts to get it together, the days are all gone."

Not quite. There is one more opportunity for the Demons to practice, tonight's Joe Delaney bowl starting at 5 p.m. at Turpin Stadium. Admission is free.

One of the units on display according Stoker will be the defense. The Demons return most of the starters from last season's defense and Stoker said that both the defensive line and linebackers have performed much better than expected.

"Defensively, our front six are really good," Stoker said. Terrance McGee is about as good a player as there is. "

Skill positions are still up for grabs. The starter job for the QB position, being fought out by seniors Ben Beach and Kevin Magee, are too close to call according to Stoker. Both QB's will play and a decision on on who the starter will be is not expected until the start of next season.

Four 12-minute quarters will be played, with no special teams play except for field goals and extra points.

Offensive coordinator Darryl Mason will be head coach of the White team while defensive coordinator J.C. Harper will lead the Purple team.

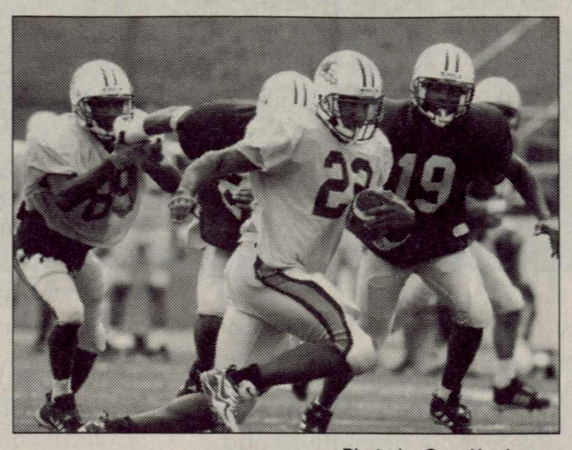


Photo by Gary Hardamon
Clint Roy breaks a tackle on his way to a 92-yard TD run in last Saturday's scrimmage. The Demons get one final workout tonight

Softball sweeps Nicholls

The Demon softball team completed a three-game sweep of Southland Conference rival Nicholls State winning 8-2 and 7-0 Wednesday evening as the Demons outhit the Lady Colonels 22-5 in the doubleheader at Lady Colonel Park.

Freshman Nicole Martin, who ranks 13th nationally in stolen bases, paced the Demons (29-20, 13-5 in the SLC) going 5 for 8 with four stolen bases. Northwestern got 11 of its runs in back-to-back innings, scoring five in the seventh inning in the opening win and six in the first inning of the nightcap.

In the series, the Demons posted a 25-2 scoring margin over the Lady Colonels (11-35, 3-16) and outhit their hosts 34-7.

In the second game, Northwestern freshman pitcher Loni Rasberry (6-3) fired a two-hit shutout and fanned five. Amanda Ortego (10-10) scattered three hits and struck out seven in 5.1 innings to earn the decision in the first game.

Northwestern got three stolen bases by Annie Johnston, who is third nationally in steals. She also tripled and singled twice, enhancing her NCAA ranking of eighth in triples (9).

Kiana Scott had an RBI double and Lindsay Leftwich drove in another with a single for a 2-0 Northwestern lead in the opening inning of the doubleheader. Shea LeDoux, Tracye Thompson and Leftwich had run-scoring doubles to key the seventh inning outburst to ice the game.

Double shot of speed

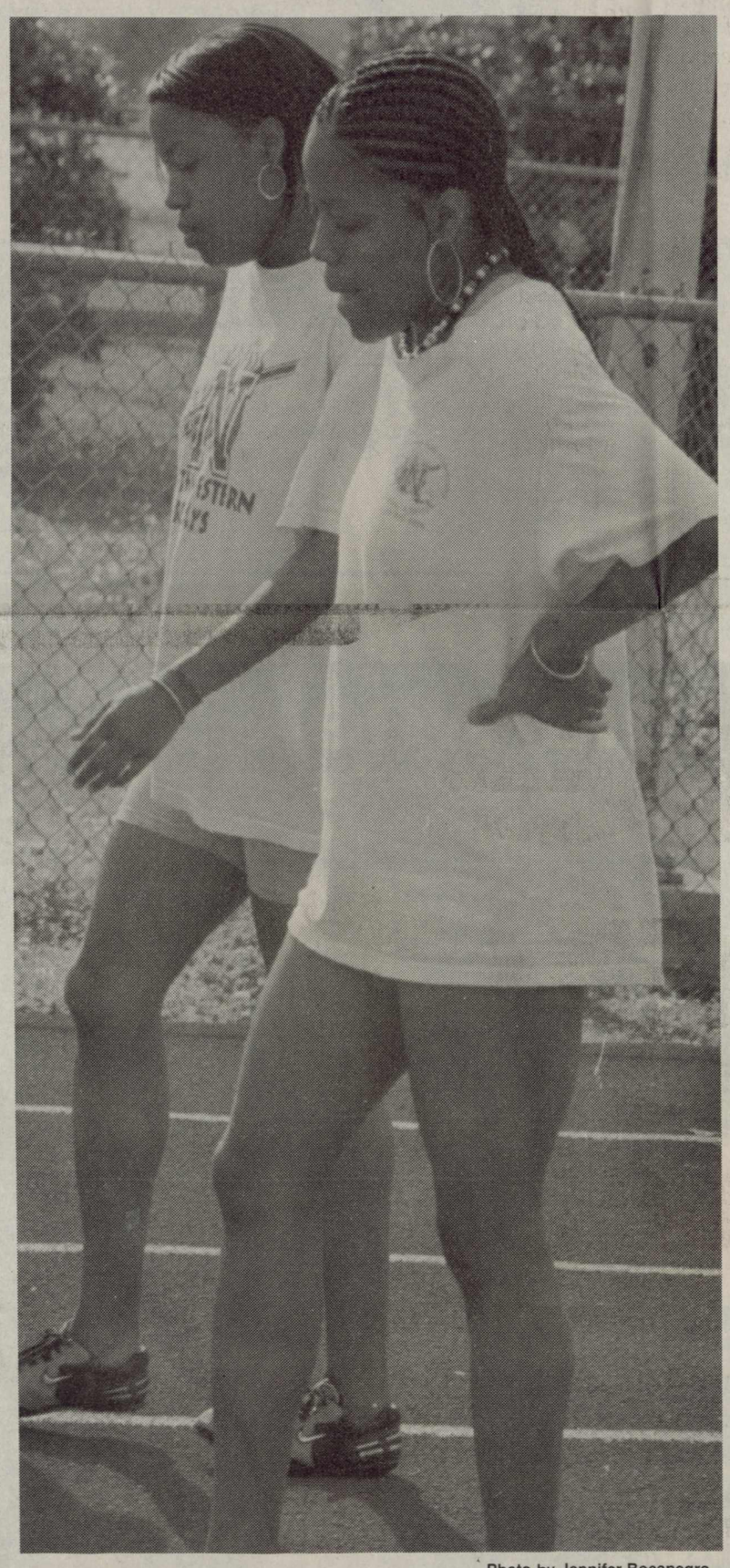


Photo by Jennifer Bocanegra
Kim and Camille Pouncy share many things in common, including owning NSU track records.

They walk alike, they talk alike, and.. oh yeah.. the Pouncy twins are pretty fast too.

By Janie Warren
Sauce reporter

The Lady Demon track team will lose two of their top female sprinters at the end of this season.

Identical twins Kim and Camille Pouncy have run in sprinting events since 7th grade. They will leave Northwestern at the end of this year placing in the top three for the Southland Conference.

" It feels real good because our freshman year we looked up to all of the seniors and now we are the seniors," Kim Pouncy said.

Besides running track, both women are majoring in English with a minor in social science. Kim, who is currently 1st place in the 100-meter dash, said she would like to teach after she completes her degree at Northwestern.

On the other hand, Camille, who holds 2nd place in the 200-meter dash, said she wants to obtain her counselor's license and become a counselor after graduation.

The twins said at times it is difficult to manage track and school. They fit studying in before and after their 3 to 5 p.m practices everyday and their meets on the weekends.

"It's a lot of hard work and you have to be dedicated," Kim Pouncy said. "You have to give 100 percent in academics and in athletics," Camille said.

Academic excellence is not the only hurdle that the twins have to overcome. They both also suffer from asthma. Camille Pouncy said exercise is best for dealing with the illness.

" It's better to run with asthma because when your lung closes you can always go take your medicine and your lungs open back up again," Kim Pouncy said.

The Pouncy twins are not the first ones in their family to become track stars. Their father and uncle, also twins, competed in track when they were in school. Kim said that her father tries to make the trip from their home in Dallas to watch them compete in their meets.

The twins said they are very close and do a lot of things together. They share the same friends and room in the Columns.

"We are probably going to live in the same

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No no-hitter: baseball wins 14-inning marathon 4-3

By Janie Warren
Sauce reporter

After dropping four of six games in the last two weeks, the NSU demon baseball team was victorious in achieving their win against Louisiana Tech last night.

The Demons, who were held hitless through 7 innings, scored three in the eighth inning, and scored one in the bottom of the 14th for a 4-3 win In a surprise move, senior right fielder, Kelsey Tomyn stepped up during the seventh inning to strike out two players.

Senior pitcher Gary Adair pitched the final six innings, struck out six batters and picking up the win.

" After a long game and 14 innings, it just became a matter of which team could battle the hardest," Demon head baseball coach Mitch Gaspard said.

"I think that our team did a great job of sticking it out, and hopefully, this game will give us momentum for the weekend games."

The 14th inning began with senior first baseman Ed Linck's single, and eventually moved to third after an error from the Bulldog's third baseman. It was Durham's last single that allowed for Linck's run, which gave the Demons the final run.

Gaspard said that the game was a good indicator of the team's strengths.

Senior infielder David Quattrochiocchi said that he thinks offense could be better, but overall, the team is doing well.

" Hitting hasn't really been there the past two weeks, and the big hit that scored those two runs really helped put us back in the game," Quattrochiocchi said.

"Overall, everything (especially defense) is pretty strong, but we need to prepare our offense better, maybe during practice."

Gaspard was pleased with his pitchers and their effort. " Gary Adair was real strong, and Casey Johnson showed good starting effort," Gaspard said

The Demons will play Sam Houston in a three-game Southland Conference series this weekend, beginning with a double-header at 1 p.m. on Saturday and ending with a game beginning at 1 p.m. on Sunday in Brown - Stroud Field.

Sauce Stats

Baseball

Standings	W	L	%
1)Texas-Arlington	7	4	.636
2)Northwestern State	**7**	**5**	**.583**
3)Texas-San Antonio	7	5	.583
4)McNeese State	7	5	.583
5)Louisiana-Monroe	7	5	.583
6)Lamar	6	6	.500
7)SWT	5	7	.417
8)Sam Houston	5	7	.417
9)Nicholls State	4	7	.364
10)SLU	4	8	.333

E.R.A. (Team SLC)

1)NSU	**3.16**
2)UT-San Antonio	3.81
3)Lamar	4.37
4)Nicholls State	4.90
5)McNeese State	5.05

Wins (Team SLC)

1)NSU	**24**
2)SWT	22
3)Nicholls	20
4)McNeese State	19
5)UT-San Antonio	18

Did you know...

...there are 12 Diamond Dolls (six juniors, three sophomores andthree freshmen)? For some reason, there are no senior Diamond Dolls.

Softball

Standings	W	L	%
1)Southwest Texas	15	3	.833
2)Texas-San Antonio	13	5	.722
3)Northwestern State	**11**	**5**	**.687**
4)McNeese State	9	6	.600
5)Louisiana-Monroe	9	9	.500
6)Sam Houston	7	8	.466
7)Texas-Arlington	7	10	.411
8)SELU	7	11	.388
9)Nicholls State	3	13	.187
10)SFA	3	14	.176

Batting avg. (SLC)

1)Johnston, Annie, NSU	**.443**
2)McAvoy, Amber, SHSU	.404
3)Goodman, Casey, ULM	.396
4)Tande, Lori, ULM	.360
5)Zaleski, Kristen, SWT	.355

RBI (SLC)

1)Menke, Kristy, SLU	40
2)Mancuso, Erin, NSU	**27**
3)Leftwich, Lindsay, NSU	**26**
4)Youngdale, Sarah, SWT	25
5)Kostic, Brooke, SLU	23

Runs scored (SLC)

1)Johnston, Annie, NSU	**34**
2)Martin Nicole, NSU	**29**
3)Zaleski, Kristen SWT	29
4)Brownlee, Christy,,UTSA	29
5)Menke, Kristy, SLU	27

E.R.A. (SLC)

1)Miller, Crista, NSU	**1.24**
2)Neuerburg, Nicole, SWT	1.36
3)Woodmansee,Monique, SLU	1.51
4)Ortego, Amanda, NSU	**1.57**
5)Hale,Corrie, MCN	1.63

Did you know...

...Loni Raspberry knows what chicken-pu-on-the-ritz and cheese is? If you want to know what it is, you'll have to ask her, because we've never heard of it.

Tennis

SLU 0
NSU 7
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Singles

No. 1 Eliza Young (NSU) def. Yessica Rizelia (SLU) 6-3, 4-6, 10-4

No. 2 Anneline Zerwick (NSU) def. Justine Vosloo (SLU) 6-4, 6-7, 8-3

No. 3 Katy Wallace (NSU) def. Carina Hultqvist (SLU) 6-2, 6-1

No. 4 Alexandra Nieto (NSU) def. Lisa McLeod (SLU) 6-0, 6-0

No. 5 Camila Prado (NSU) def. Cadence Ellington (SLU) 6-0, 6-0

No. 6 Ngoc Luu (NSU) def. Laura Frost (SLU) by default (inj.)

Doubles

No. 1 Young-Zerwick (NSU) def. Rizelia-Vosloo (SLU) 8-5

No. 2 Wallace-Kimberly Conway (NSU) def. Hultqvist-McLeod (SLU) 8-5

No. 3 Nieto-Luu (NSU) def. Ellington-Frost (SLU) by default

Next Matches

Friday vs. La. Tech
3 p.m.,
Jack Fisher Tennis Complex

Pouncy Twins



Photo by Jennifer Bocanegra

The Pouncy twins could argue for the rest of their lives about which one is the fastest.

place after school like Dallas or someplace like Dallas," Kim Pouncy said.

Both women said they enjoyed the track program and everyone around it. They said sometimes they wanted to quit after hard practices but all of the hard work was worth it once they got to the meets.

"I think we improved greatly with the coaching. They 're like most college coaches. They push you, motivate you, it is hard work but it pays off, " Kim Pouncy said.

With only four meets left for this outdoor track season, Kim said that she would like to see more promotions and publicity for the track program in the future.

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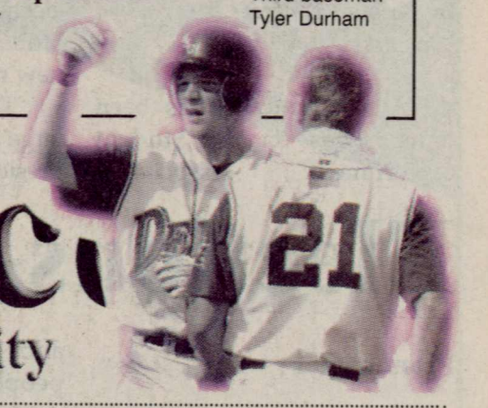
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Third baseman Tyler Durham

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Journalism department receives $1 million chair

By Garrett Guillotte
Copy Editor

Thanks to a donation made Wednesday by a Long Purple Line member and his wife, NSU's journalism department will soon have a $1 million endowed chair.

Retired Maj. Gen. Erbon W. Wise, a charter member of the NSU Hall of Distinction and long-time Louisiana newspaper publisher with his wife Marie, presented NSU President Randall Webb with a $400,000 check to establish the Erbon W. and Marie Wise Endowed Chair in Journalism.

An additional $600,000 in matching state funds is pending in the Board of Regents, which Webb said may be received as early as August.

Journalism Department head Steve Horton said the endowed chair will most likely be used to recruit a nationally-recognized name in the journalism profession to coach NSU students in writing.

Webb said money from the endowed chair would be used to both payroll a new faculty position and support research.

The Wises toured the department before their presentation, examining the print and television facilities and commenting on the changes in journalism and technology between their time at NSU and today. They also met two NSU students that received scholarships from the trust fund they created.

Both 1941 NSU graduates, the Wises established, founded or owned 36 newspapers and court news journals in Louisiana over a 52-year period, opened a genealogical library in the Louisiana State Archives and also established a scholarship trust fund for newspaper-related education. Gen. Wise edited *The Current Sauce* in 1938, and Mrs. Wise wrote "The Challenge of Genealogy," a weekly column that appeared in many Louisiana newspapers for 24 years.

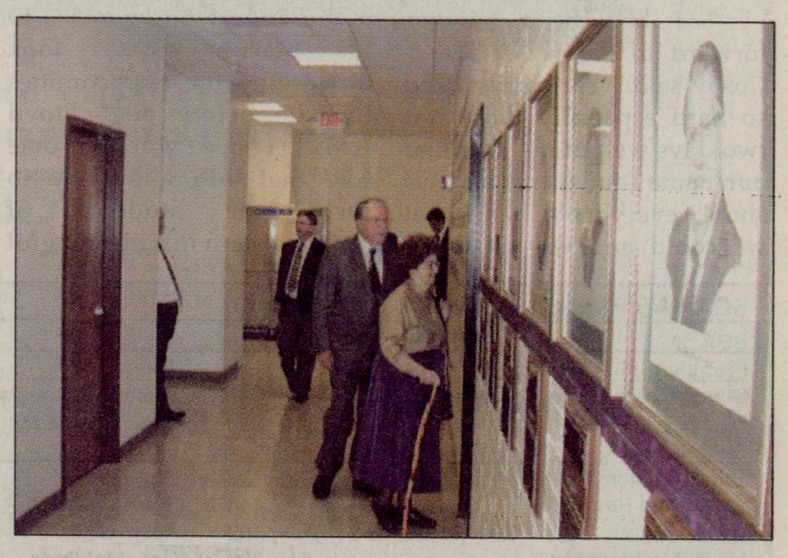


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Retired Maj. Gen. Erbon Wise and his wife Marie enter the President's Room before presenting NSU with a $400,000 endowed chair in journalism. Along the wall next to the room, Wise's portrait hangs on NSU's Long Purple Line.

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Alumni

Generosity on campus can come with strings attached

More often than they care to mention, colleges and universities quietly pocket big contributions from donors who land in society's doghouse.

Just look at the universities, including the University of Houston, that still plan to fill academic positions endowed in former Enron Corp. Chairman Kenneth Lay's name, or the nation's roughly 40 Arthur Andersen professors of accounting.

"We are careful to deal with people who understand the mission of St. Olaf College," says Gordon Soenksen, the school's vice president for advancement.

Daytona, Fla..

Black students hope Daytona Beach week less biased this year than previous ones

The same Jim Crow practices that separated black people and white folks in small diners also extended to the Atlantic.

"At that time, that was the only thing we knew," said Huger, 87. "We hoped for a better day."

Huger and other older African-Americans who lived near the coast are reminded of those days during Black College Reunion, the three-day gathering of some 100,000 young African-Americans in Daytona Beach that begins on Friday.

In recent years, the bumper-to-bumper show of shiny cars, loud music and bathing suits has been stained by traffic jams, unruly behavior and allegations of racial discrimination that led to a federal lawsuit.

ULM News.

Photographer displays work in 'Beating Hearts' gallery

Courtesy ULM Pow Wow online

"Beating Hearts" is an art exhibition detailing the true stories of Louisiana women who have been victims of domestic violence.

"Her work is painfully beautiful," said Julie Chaney. "It highlights the women and what they go through."

Hilburn, a working artist and photographer, said most of the women in her pictures are framed in windows and doors, but not all of her work shows people. The stories are written by Terrie Queen Autrey, a professor of speech at Louisiana Tech. Hilburn showed slides of her work, and spoke on the issue of domestic violence in general. She also spoke about using art as an expression by communicating your interests through your work.

2002 SGA/SAB election results





Photos by Glenn Ward
Above: SGA presidential runner-up Dustin Floyd waits in the SAB office Thursday night for the posting of the election board's results.
Right: President-elect Stacie Cosby (facing) hugs her running mate, vice president-elect Jennifer Jensen, after election results were announced.

Cosby/Jensen win presidential ticket

By Andrew David
Sauce Reporter

Stacie Cosby and Jennifer Jensen earned the offices of SGA president and vice president as they defeated the ticket of Speaker of the Senate Dustin Floyd and Buster Carlisle, bringing a hard-fought and emotional campaign race to its conclusion.

Although Cosby and Jensen were elated and brought to tears when their names were read by Student Supreme Court Justice Jeremiah Newsom, both gained a moment of composure in order to answer some brief questions about their victory and future plans.

Cosby, in reference to questions of how she felt, spoke through teary eyes about how wonderful she felt about the victory. Her running mate expressed similar feelings of

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University police bust up block party

By Callie Reames
Sauce Reporter

Alpha Kappa Alpha had scheduled a block party for 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. April 10 but closed down prematurely because a few people were disrupting the event with water balloons and water guns.

The social gathering in front of the student union was shut down an hour and a half ahead of schedule after repeated requests to cease the water assaults.

Three or four unidentified men were responsible for the incident that caused approximately 75 people to leave the party site early.

AKA president Kalprina Williams said those men came from Le Rendezvous and the Dodd dormitory area and not the party itself. There were approximately 100 people watching the party from the areas that the water raiders could have come from.

In addition to disrupting the party's atmosphere, the water could have damaged the disc jockey's equipment.

"We had a liability," Williams said.

AKA had hired the DJ for music services, and the risk of damage was too high to allow the party to continue while water was being thrown about.

Williams said the police were called during the disturbance and responded to help settle things down and break everyone up.

A policeman sprayed pepper spray in the air to make people move.

"It was enough to make everybody cough," Williams said. The spray affected five to 10 people.

Williams said telling the group to go home was not fair, but she realized it was in everyone's best interest.

"It was our responsibility to shut it down," Williams said.

The block party was part of AKA's Greek Week and was meant to bring Greeks and students of NSU together.

University police were unavailable for comment at time of publication.



Photo by Britton Faucon

Did anyone get that car's tags?

A dead squirrel hangs on a light fixture outside Caspari Hall. The piece of paper taped to its back reads, "I was killed by an NSU PIG." The cause of the squirrel's death, however, is unknown.

Students elect new SAB representatives

By Kristen Dauzat
Life Editor

Although there has been much focus on the Student Government Association elections over the past week, the Student Activities Board has ten new representatives-at-large.

The representative-at-large's job is to assist the SAB president and fulfill duties such as planning campus activities, concerts, Fall Fest, Spring Fling and coffee houses.

Taking the helm of SAB next semester and lending enjoyable activities for the student body are newly elected representatives. The newly elected representatives will take over in the fall of 2002.

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satisfaction.

Later, after the initial reaction to winning, Cosby had spoken on her victory more in depth, crediting the last 48 hours of her campaign as being the most vital.

"...I had been looking forward to it all day long," Cosby said. "We had worked so hard especially those last two days we put our face and our name (out there) and we shook everyone's hand that we could and we sat down and talked as with many people as we could...I felt very positive and confident."

Although he did not offer any personal comments a campaign-weary Floyd released a written statement.

"It is with a sad heart that I wish to concede the 2002 SGA Presidential elections to Ms. Stacie Cosby...I look forward to the opportunities that lie before me," Floyd wrote. "I hope I will find some role that will allow me to serve the students of Northwestern in a meaningful and productive way. May God bless you."

Carlisle, Floyd's running mate, was not present at the time results were read and could not be reached for comment.

Emerging victorious in the race for the office of SGA treasurer was sitting vice president Dustin Matthews, who defeated senator Edward "Beau" Boudreaux for the position.

Matthews spoke of his excitement about his newly-won position as well as his plans for the future.

"I was pretty happy, it was something I've been wanting to do and since I realized I wasn't going to have time to be president, I decided I was going to run for treasurer and I was pretty happy about that," Matthews said.

Matthews also spoke of his plans for the future.

"One of the things I'd like to do is I want to get to know my newly elected president and vice-president...I want to sit down and make sure we do a lot of things with STAT (Student Technology Advisory Team) this year and spend the money well," Matthews said.

Boudreaux was not deterred by his loss in the election and said he would seek another senate term next fall in order to stay involved with the SGA.

In addition to those races, 20 new senators were also elected.

SGA/SAB Election Results

SGA

Presidential Tickets		Treasurer	
Stacie Cosby/Jennifer Jensen	**433**	**Dustin Matthews**	**381**
Dustin Floyd/Buster Carlisle	330	Beau Boudreaux	339
Senators-At-Large			
Torrey Washington	433	Liz Webb	343
Jared Paul Hewitt	414	Scott Manguno	334
Linzie Ledford	403	Adam Stoll	333
Mindy McConnell	389	Cory Markham	326
Greg Comeaux	371	Ray Vasquez	324
Matt Courville	362	Cade Strong	307
Tometrius Greer	354	Jacob Doucet	303
Adam Allen	348	Taylor Morgan	299
Luke Hutchison	347	Kelli Miller	299
Crystal Ann Miller	343	Ryan Terry	296

SAB

Representatives-At-Large			
Lauren Stokes	407	Megan Sandlin	345
Ashley Dunham	375	Ashlie Fisher	342
Allison Landry	371	Lisa Mayeux	337
Marc Johnson	368	Sarah Vitale	332
Aimee Bobo	356	Lauren Atterberry	328

SGA undecided on Speaker of Senate position; vote ends in tie

By Andrew David
Sauce Reporter

The third time was not the charm for the SGA Monday, as a vote as to elect the Speaker of the Senate, the position vacated by Dustin Floyd due to his presidential campaign, came to a tie all three times it was brought before the floor.

Senators Scott Manguno, Greg Comeaux and Liz Hughes were all nominated for the position, but only Comeaux and Manguno received enough votes to merit a run-off.

The two candidates made a series of brief speeches and fielded questions from the senate floor.

However, the vote was postponed until next week's meeting after the senate's vote came to a tie three times.

As for matters of legislations, a bill sponsored by senator Keith Gates called for 850 acres of undeveloped land in Natchitoches to be used to resurrect NSU's defunct agricultural program. Although the idea was well received by the senate, concerns over a lack of research into the matter caused the bill to be tabled until next week.

Also, an allocation of $2,500 was approved in order to purchase t-shirts for NSU's freshmen connection program. The program operates during the summer in order to encourage incoming freshmen to participate in NSU clubs and organizations.

Minutes 04-15-02

Order- 7:01p.m.

The prayer was lead by Beau Boudreaux. The pledge was lead by James Rolf.

I. Roll Call
Present
Leanna Anderson
Beau Boudreaux
Rusty Broussard
Greg Comeaux
StacieCosby
Dustin Floyd
Adam Stoll
Sarah Griffith
Jeremy Malmay
Dustin Matthews
TometriusGrier
Liz Hughes
Jennifer Jensen
Linzie Ledford
Scott Manguno
Mindy McConnell
Patrick Peoples
Keith Gates
Zack Pulliam
James Rolf
Melissa Snelling
Cade Strong
Frank Toro
Torrey Washington
Absent
Jana Freeman
Buster Carlisle
Luke Hutchison
Leslie Bean
Travis Williams

II. Executive Reports
Treasurer- Frank Toro
I'll have the budget next week. There is a few things up in fiscal.
Vice President -Dustin Matthews
Thanks for helping in the elections. Congratulations to the winners. The Banquet will be Mon. 29th at 7:00pm in the Presidents room.
Leanna Anderson walked in.
President - Rusty Broussard
Thanks to Justin and Sarah, and thanks to Greg. We had a great turn-out for elections. If you have any bills, you need to get them to me by Friday, so I can put them on Emergency status, and we can vote on them on Monday. News about the banquet, it will be for SGA, and parents of the incoming and outgoing executives. It is to be formal attire.

III. Departmental Reports
Academic Affairs- Stacie Cosby
Please promote Ballroom dancing, and please do your Scantron hours.
External Affairs- Greg Comeaux
We didn't have a meeting today. Thank you to Cade Strong for the publicizing he did for elections. I am hoping to get some people for the radio show Tuesday from 9-12.
Fiscal Affairs- Frank Toro
Zack Pulliam will get all legislation back to you. Looking at the By-law revisions in Club Sports. The Demon Dazzlers are not considered Club Sports. Flight team asked for money but did not follow procedure, so it will get tabled until next week, so they can go to Zack's meeting on Wednesday, and my meeting on Monday, before the SGA meeting.
Internal Affairs- Dustin Floyd
This was the last meeting for Internal Affairs. Thanks for a Great year! Thank you to Casey for coming to all the meetings, and helping out.
Student Affairs- Buster Carlisle
Buster couldn't be here tonight, so Torrey Washington gave his report. They are going to have the forum before the semester is over if you need help, ask. If anyone needs anything while Buster is out, please see Torrey.
SAB Report- Beau Boudreaux
Spring Fling is this week. There is lots of fun stuff going on.
Advisor's Report- Mr. Henry
Thanks to the people who publicized elections. We haven't had this big of a turn out for 15 years. The bid for the IM will be at the end of the month. Don't forget about all the activities going on in Spring Fling.
Supreme Court Report- Supreme Court Justice
Thanks for the invitation.

IV. Old Business
Bill SP02-029 up. Mindy McConnel moves to approve, Greg Comeaux seconds. Beau Boudreaux moves to table the bill, Greg Comeaux seconds. Motion passes by role call vote 18-2-0.
Bill SP02-030 and SP02-031 are tabled until next week.

V. New Business
Open nominations for Speaker of the Senate for next year. Torrey Washington nominated Scott Manguno, Mindy McConnell nominated Greg Comeaux and Sarah Griffith nominated Liz Hughs. They all accepted. All three candidates spoke to the Senate, then they stepped outside for secret ballot voting. There was a run-off between Scott Manguno, and Greg Comeaux. They both were allowed to speak to the senate again, then again stepped outside for secret ballot voting. Again it was a tie. After being dead-locked in a tie for the remainder of the voting, it
Jeremy Malmay left the room.
It was decided by show of hands voting that it would be voted on next week.
Greg moves to allocate $2,500 dollars for Freshman Connection T-shirts. Beau Boudreaux seconded. The money was approved by role call vote 21-0-0

VI. Announcements
Please pray for Buster Carlisle and his family. Please keep doing your office hours. We need two representatives at Student Affairs. Good Job at Elections!

The meeting was adjourned at 8:16 pm.

Campus Connections

Louisiana Association of Museums

The 2002 **Louisiana Association of Museums** Annual Conference will be held next Wednesday and Thursday at NSU. The conference is co-sponsored by NSU. Registration begins at 11 a.m. in the Orville Hanchey Gallery. All sessions are free. For more information contact Carolyn Harrington at 357-2270.

Delta Sigma Theta

The **Ladies of Delta Sigma Theta** invite the campus to join them in "Deep Discussion with the Deltas,"a format to express your ideas about current issues facing people today. The forum will be Monday at 7 p.m. in the President's Room on the second floor of the Student Union.

Job Opportunities

The **Counseling and Career Center** has received correspondence of interviews from these businesses: Cargill, Inc., production supervisor. Industrial Engineering majors are preferred. For more information students can stop by the CCS office in Room 305 of the Student Union.

First Baptist Church

The **First Baptist Church** of Natchitoches will have a free lunch and Bible study every Sunday following their 11 a.m. service. The First Baptist Church of Natchitoches is located on 508 Second St.

Catholic Student Organization

The **CSO** will have a theology study and faith sharing Sunday nights at 8, followed by the 9:30 Mass. Bible Study is every Tuesday night at 8, and Fellowship is every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m., followed by a free meal. Everyone is welcome. For more info, contact Amy Dowden at 352-2615.

Baptist Collegiate Ministry

The **BCM** will have Wednesday night worship across the street from Watson Library every week. The worship begins at 8:31. All students are welcome to attend. The BCM also has a $1 lunch encounter on Thursdays from 11:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. For more information call the BCM at 352-5464.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes

FCA will be having its weekly fellowship every Tuesday night. The meetings are held in the athletic field house on the south end of Turpin Stadium at 8. There will be a devotional speaker each week. Everyone is welcome.

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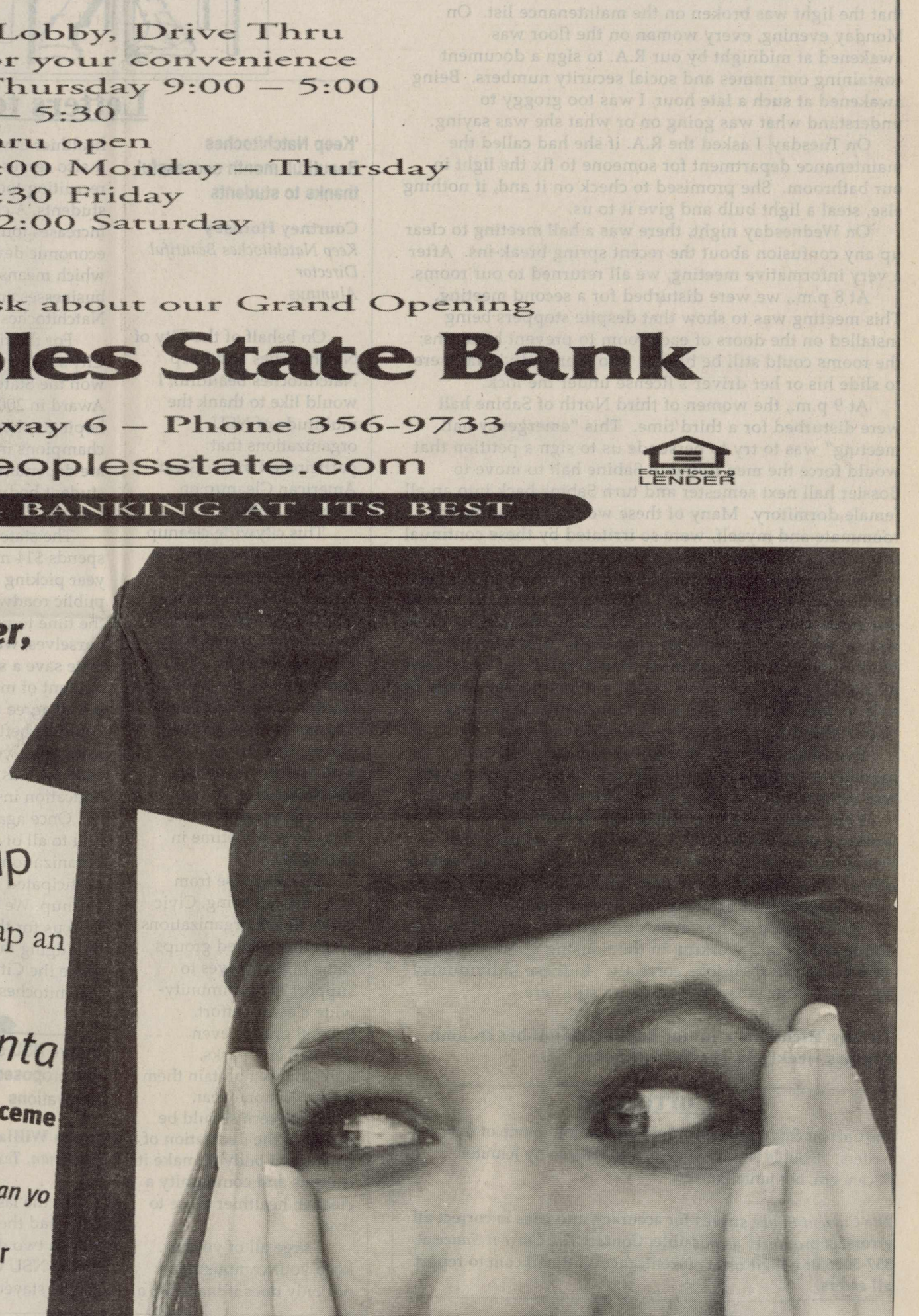
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Columnist: conditions of Sabine dorm 'ridiculous'



Tiffany Trichell
Tiff's Take

Residents of Sabine Dormitory—beware.

Students of NSU need to be told about the ridiculous situations occurring at this dormitory. It is a shame that a student has to call the president of the university and disturb him to get a busted light and broken doorknob fixed.

When my roommate and I arrived in our room, we discovered that the light in our shower no longer worked. I immediately went down to my R.A.'s room and wrote that the light was broken on the maintenance list. On Monday evening, every woman on the floor was awakened at midnight by our R.A. to sign a document containing our names and social security numbers. Being awakened at such a late hour, I was too groggy to understand what was going on or what she was saying.

On Tuesday, I asked the R.A. if she had called the maintenance department for someone to fix the light in our bathroom. She promised to check on it and, if nothing else, steal a light bulb and give it to us.

On Wednesday night, there was a hall meeting to clear up any confusion about the recent spring break-ins. After a very informative meeting, we all returned to our rooms.

At 8 p.m., we were disturbed for a second meeting. This meeting was to show that despite stoppers being installed on the doors of each room to prevent break-ins; the rooms could still be broken into if an individual were to slide his or her driver's license under the lock.

At 9 p.m., the women of third North of Sabine hall were disturbed for a third time. This "emergency hall meeting" was to try to persuade us to sign a petition that would force the men living in Sabine hall to move to Bossier hall next semester and turn Sabine back into an all female dormitory. Many of these women, including my roommate and myself, were so irritated by these continual interruptions that we refused to sign.

By Friday morning, the shower light still had not been fixed in our shower and, as I left to go to class, the lock on our room door refused to lock. My R.A. had gone to class, so I called the front desk for assistance. The woman working at the desk was more than helpful and even came all the way up to my room to tell me that no one would be able to come until after 9 a.m. Reluctantly, I placed a chair behind the door and raced off to my class.

Eventually, the doorknob was replaced and on monday morning the light bulb was fixed. As soon as it was reported to the office our problems would be fixed.

I am neither writing this article against the hard-working desk workers, R.A.'s and A.C.'s on duty that Friday morning, or some of the individuals in the housing office. These people have gone out of their way to help my roommate and I during this irritating time.

This opinion is, however, directed at those individuals employed by and working in the housing at Northwestern who do not do their jobs correctly. To these individuals I say, enjoy your jobs while they are still here.

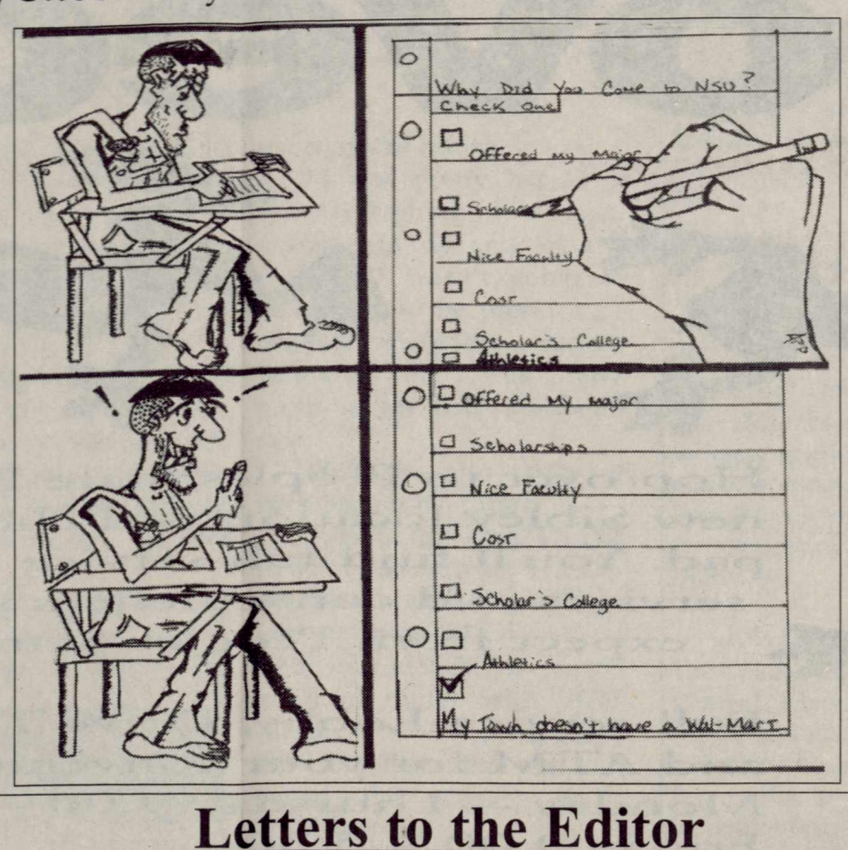
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Correction

The Current Sauce gave improper attribution to one of our writers. "Double shot of Speed" was written by Jennifer Bocanegra, not Janie Warren.

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Reality*Checks* by Andrew David



Letters to the Editor

'Keep Natchitoches Beautiful' month successful thanks to students

Courtney Hornsby
Keep Natchitoches Beautiful Director
Alumnus

On behalf of the City of Natchitoches and Keep Natchitoches Beautiful, I would like to thank the multitude of NSU organizations that participated in the Great American Cleanup on Saturday, April 13.

This citywide cleanup was to recognize April as Keep Natchitoches Beautiful Month and to help the city prepare for the annual Cleanest City Contest, which is sponsored by the Louisiana Garden Club Federation. Thanks to the University's efforts, the City of Natchitoches won the district level of competition and will advance to the state level sometime in early May.

The response from NSU was amazing. Civic clubs, Greek organizations and other related groups came out in droves to support the community-wide cleanup effort. Several groups even adopted city parks, agreeing to maintain them for at least one year. Northwestern should be proud of the dedication of its student body to make its campus and community a cleaner, healthier place to live.

I urge all of you to keep your campus clean; not only does it make for a healthier environment, but it also serves as an excellent recruiting tool for potential students. A clean city also increases tourism and economic development, which means more businesses and activities for Natchitoches.

For the first time in the City's history, Natchitoches won the State Cleanest City Award in 2001. We are hoping to become repeat champions in 2002, and we are depending on the student body to help us achieve that goal.

The state of Louisiana spends $14 million each year picking up litter from public roadways. By taking the time to pick up litter for ourselves, we can help the state save a significant amount of money. I think we all agree that money could be better used to fund other venues in the state such as our higher education institutions.

Once again, I say thank you to all of the NSU organizations that participated in the April 13 cleanup. We hope you will help us for the next round of judging in May. You make the City of Natchitoches very proud.

Online Submission

Future NSU student glad to see proposed dorm renovations

Justin Williamson
Freshman, Texas A&M

In the last two years, I have had the 'privilege' to stay in two different dorms on the NSU Campus. In 2000, I stayed in Boozman, and I had to ask how NSU gets and maintains honor students, with the condition the dorm was in.

It showed years of abuse, cracks in the wall, leaks in the ceiling, and the dorm had a moldy smell to it. In 2001 I stayed in Dodd Hall (now Natchitoches), and found almost an exact copy of Boozman.

But to add to the problems of Dodd, doors were missing off bathroom stalls, and many of the showers were missing at least one of the following: shower curtain, showerhead, or knobs for the water.

One of the main reasons I turned down NSU's offer of admission was because of the living conditions. As a student who now plans on attending NSU within the next year, I'm glad to see this problem being corrected.

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Editor's*Take*

Four deserving faculty members win Sauce Excellence Awards

Josh Beavers, editor of last year's Current Sauce, decided to use his last editorial to spotlight professors who greatly influenced his time as an NSU undergrad.

I will continue the tradition Beavers started in my remaining columns, as well as expand his idea. I have selected four faculty members who, in my opinion, truly believe NSU is the place where students come first. Next week, I will select five staff members. These people will be the recipients of the second annual Editor's Sauce Excellence Awards.

Here are the rules: First, teachers and faculty who made last year's list are not eligible. This means people like Alex Aichinger, President Webb and Chris Maggio, people whom I have much respect for, will not be on this year's list. Second, members of the NSU department of journalism faculty and staff are not eligible. Trust me, I haven't forgotten about you guys.

Now, in no particular order, the four winners of this year's Editor's Sauce Excellence Awards for NSU faculty. The winners are...



Rondray Hill
Editor's Take

1) William "Bill" Brent, Assoc. Professor of Music -- Brent turned a 48-member marching band into the "Spirit of Northwestern" that you see today. On top of that, he is one of the nicest and most well respected faculty members on campus. Brent is a class act who has always helped me in whatever I have needed from him. The only person who could possibly fill his shoes is...

2) Jeff Matthews, Director of Athletic Bands -- I have always said that it's worth the price of admission to a football game simply to watch the "SON" band perform the pre-game routine. Jeff Matthews deserves much of the praise for this. In his first full year as director of athletic bands, Matthews continued the tradition of having a band that NSU is very proud of. The phrase, "The Best Sounding Band in the Land," isn't just a marketing tool, it's the truth.

3) Greg Granger, Assoc. Professor of Political Science -- Yes, he lectures the entire hour. Yes, he assigns 20-page papers. And yes, he has a mullet with a ponytail! But he's probably the most educated man in central Louisiana on foreign affairs, and, more importantly, he is a dedicated professor who strives to make sure all his students learn what they need to know. I will be proud to have a second major in political science thanks to Granger and his evil twin brother, Alex Aichinger (kidding!).

4) Suzanne Green, Assoc. Professor of English -- Since her beloved Texas Rangers are drowning at the bottom of the AL West division, Prof. Green needs all the pity she can get. However, she earned this award because when she's not publishing books or representing NSU at English seminars, she's teaching students the craft of writing and composition making sure her students don't settle for average work.

As with all lists, there are many deserving faculty members who did not make the top four. Tell us who your top four is. We will publish your submissions in next week's *Current Sauce*.

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What's left for Spring Fling week? Thursday and Friday

Recycled Percussion and Brian Brushwood tonight

By Britton Faucon
Sauce Reporter

"Hot and fire," Bizarre Magic performer Brian Brushwood answered the Taco Bell employee for his sauce preference.

These two words are not limited to describing Brushwood's taste in food, but to his show as well.

"I'll eat fire, hammer a nail up my nose, lay on a bed of nails with someone standing on me," Brushwood said. "It sounds kind of freaky when you first hear about it, but there is a lot of comedy and a lot of fun."

According to Brushwood's web site, Teller of Penn & Teller magicians said, "Brian Brushwood just kills me. He's funny, dangerous and brilliantly original.

"He's going to be really famous very soon."

Shortly after Brushwood went professional in 1999, he said that he made a brief appearance on NSU's campus.

Brushwood's Bizarre Magic show will begin at 7:30 p.m. in A.A. Fredericks Auditorium and will serve as the opening act for Recycled Percussion.

"I love these guys," Brushwood, who has performed with Recycled Percussion four times, said. "They are so much fun."

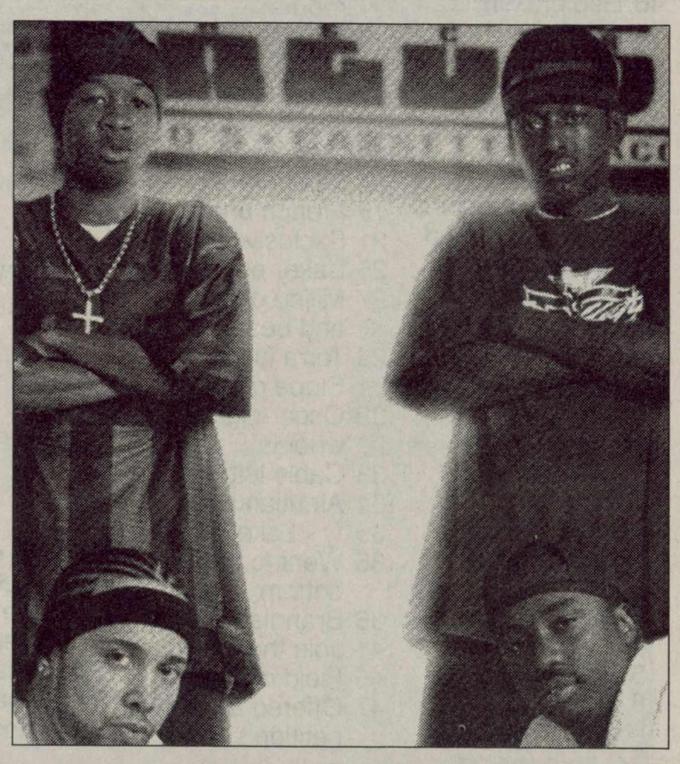
Recycled Percussion will perform following Brushwood's act.

There are four members in Recycled Percussion: Justin Spencer, Aaron Fairhurst, Zach Holmes and Ethan Holmes.

Fairhurst said that the group was formed after a high school talent show in Goffstown, New Hampshire.

"We take from all over the music world, Latin, African" Fairhurst said. "We are often compared to Stomp or Blue Man Group.

Fairhurst said their shows are "an electrifying, energetic, original experience. It will be an experience they won't



Hop to Da Bunny Hop tomorrow with Da Entourage (shown above)

Da Entourage and The Shack Daddies tomorrow

By Britton Faucon
Sauce Reporter

Billboard-charting smash single "Da Bunny Hop" bounces onto NSU's campus with live entertainment by Da Entourage for Friday's crawfish boil at 2 p.m.

"Basically [they play] bounce music while getting the crowd into it," KNWD disc jockey Travis Williams said. "That is basically was Da Entourage does."

Williams said Da Entourage is based out of Lafayette and consists of Toemas, Bunny B, Alley Cat and Red Boy.

Williams said Red Boy formed the group and owned a recording studio prior to the group. "Da Bunny Hop" was the first song recorded by the group and was released as a single.

"Originally it wasn't going to go national, but it grew really big," Williams said. "They have been everywhere from down south to California."

Red Boy Records released their debut album in 2001 under the title Entourage 1.

The Shack Daddies will also be a part of Friday's live entertainment.

"They are going to be the next Sugar Ray," Jeff Brugmans, The Shack Daddies' CD producer, said.

The Shack Daddies consists of five members: lead singer and acoustic guitarists Andy Wells and Jared Smith, bass guitarist Terry Acosta, guitarist Charlie Labouise and drummer Josh Freneau.

Baton Rouge-bred, these band members formed their name from a sandwich made in a local restaurant.

Skeeter, The Shack Daddies' manager, said that they are a modern rock band very similar to Matchbox 20 and Fuel.

"They are known throughout the college circuit as a chick band," Skeeter said.



The Shack Daddies will be a part of the live entertainment on Friday. They are compared to Fuel and Matchbox 20.

What'd you say?

About the Spring Fling drive-in

"It was an awsome movie, the music was the best...We would have missed it if our Mormon friend hadn't told us where it was at."

Niaz Khadem
Sophmore Biology Major

"It wasn't as cool as couch survivor, but it comes in a close second."

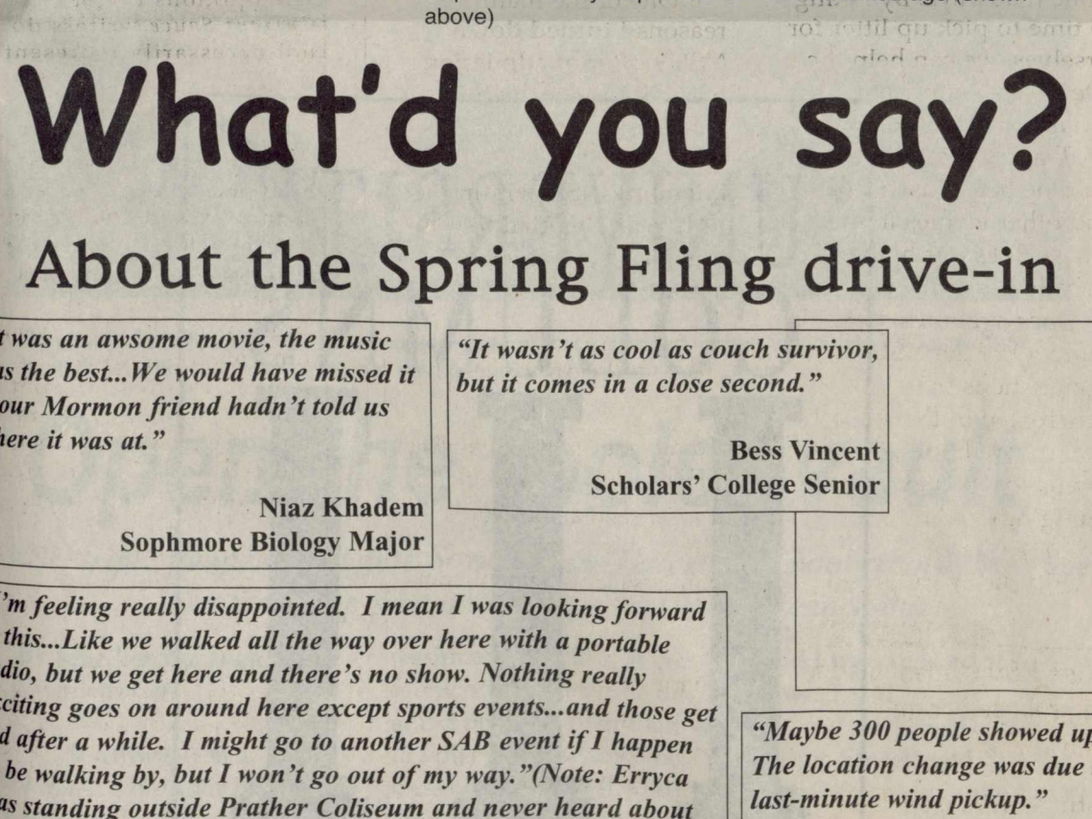
Bess Vincent
Scholars' College Senior

"I'm feeling really disappointed. I mean I was looking forward to this...Like we walked all the way over here with a portable radio, but we get here and there's no show. Nothing really exciting goes on around here except sports events...and those get old after a while. I might go to another SAB event if I happen to be walking by, but I won't go out of my way."(Note: Erryca was standing outside Prather Coliseum and never heard about the change of location to A. A. Fredericks).

Erryca Robicheaux
LSMSA Senior

"Maybe 300 people showed up. The location change was due to last-minute wind pickup."

Jared Hewitt
Senior, General Studies Major



3 Color Portrait Rocks NSU at Job Jam

Photo by Glenn Ward

Local band 3 Color Portrait performs in front of Le Rendevous Wednesday afternoon as part of the University's effort to raise awareness about the Counseling and Career Services.

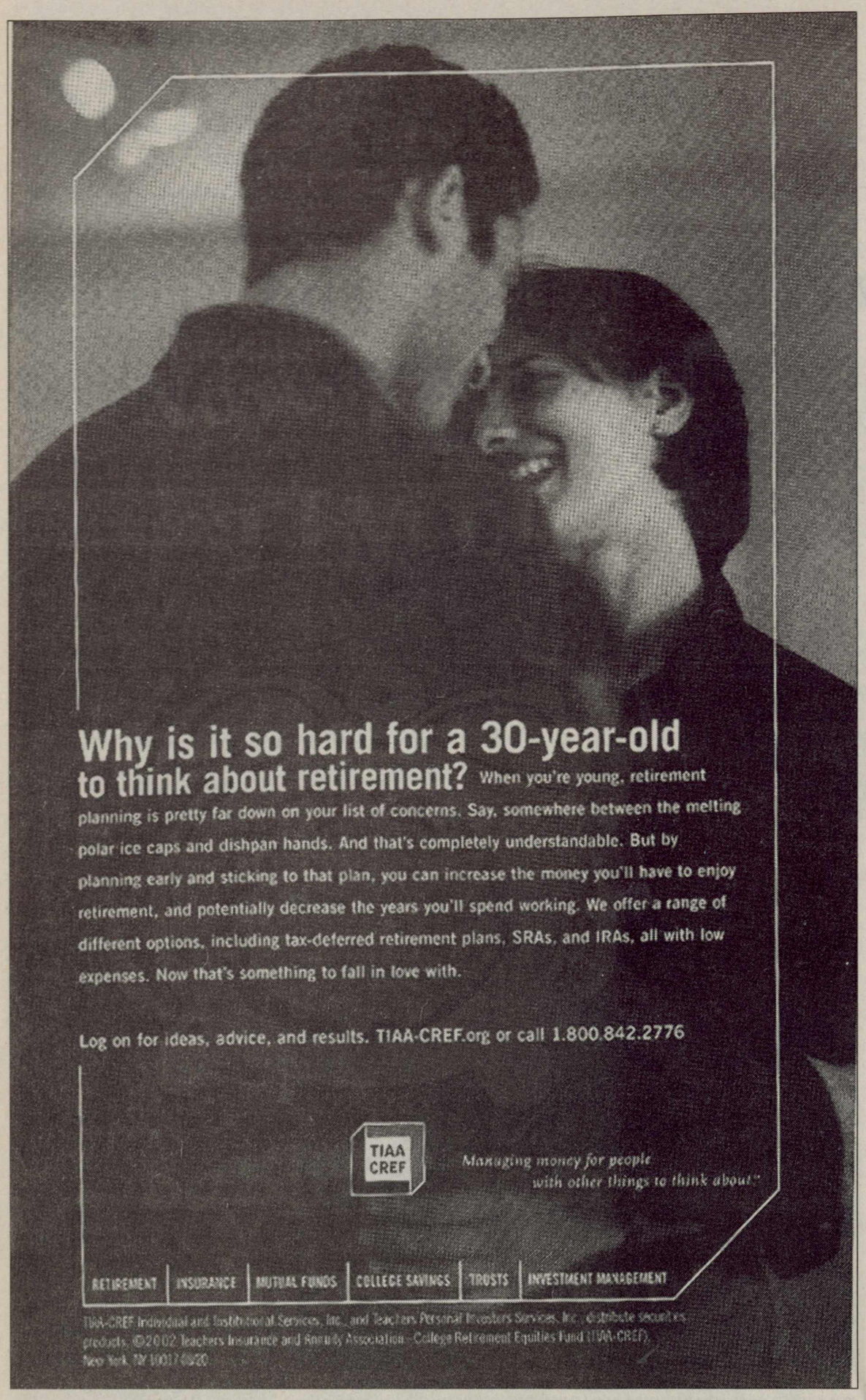
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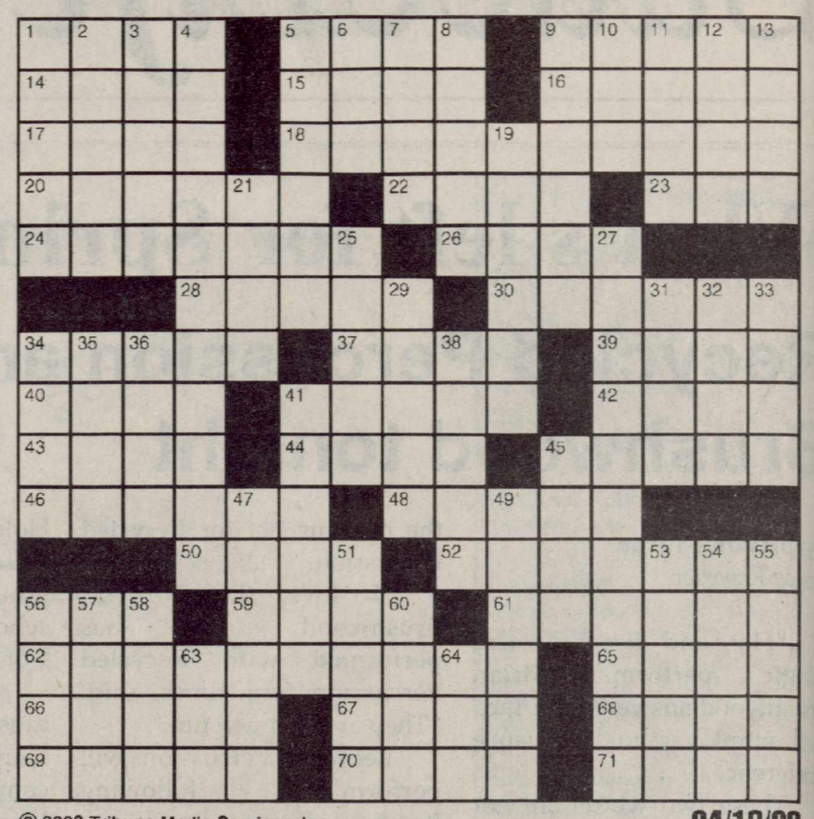
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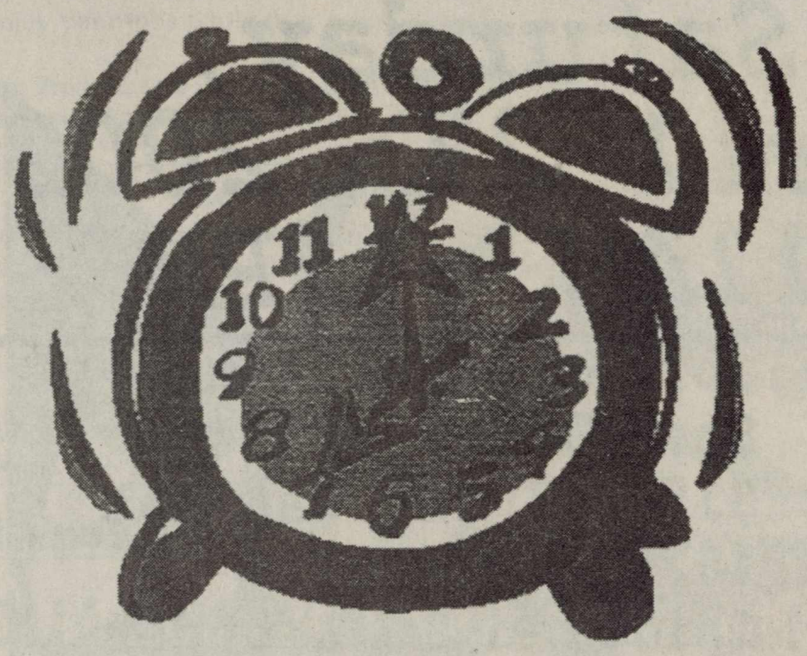
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Photo by Jennifer Bocanegra

Stephanie Sowell, seen here warming up before practice, jumped 47 feet at last week's Texas A&M Invitational. Her coach says she can be the first female All American...ever.

Open the (pole) vault

NSU triple jumper Stephanie Sowell leaped over the school record. Now she wants to leap past another goal...All-American status

By Jennifer Bocanegra
Sauce reporter

Northwestern's women's outdoor track team now holds first place for the triple jump event in the Southland Conference.

Sophomore Stephanie Sowell broke the Southland Conference female triple jump record at Texas A&M with a 47ft. 1 1/4 in. jump. Stephanie, who began jumping at Natchitoches Central High School, said that breaking the record was normal for her.

"It was the same last year, I broke the long jump record when I was a freshman. I'd been wanted to break the triple jump record," Sowell said.

J.D. Garrett, Natchitoches Central High School track coach, coached Sowell in high school and said that he is not surprised to see her performing so well. Sowell won the state championships for the long jump in both 10th and 11th grade. In 12th grade, she won the state triple jump event and held the class record.

"When Stephanie was a freshman she did real good. We was over here one day and a boy was over there (in the pit) jumping and she (Sowell) just told the boy, 'hey, I can out jump you and she backed up and out jumped that boy," Garrett said.

Northwestern women's track coach Dean Johnson said that Sowell's success is a combination of talent and hard training. He said that everyone in the Division I level is talented. It's those that train intelligently and train harder when it is appropriate to train hard who can jump farther than everyone else.

Sowell, who is currently NSU's only female triple jumper, said that she chose to stay in Natchitoches and attend NSU because of the coaching staff and the good jump program. She said that she had the opportunity to practice with great jumpers such as LaMark Carter and Kenta Bell who both went on to the Olympic trials from NSU.

"To me it is just natural talent cause I just jump. He (Coach Johnson) just tells me what I am doing wrong and I try to correct it," Sowell said.

As a physical education major, Sowell said that she hopes to coach in the future if she is not still jumping. She tries to set a positive example for other prospective track stars from Natchitoches Central with plans to follow in her footsteps.

" They look up to Stephanie, they say to themselves, 'hey, this girl went to the same school I went to and worked around the same coach and if she can do it, then I can do it," Garrett said.

With two more years until graduation, Sowell has a lot of room to grow. Both Garrett and Johnson said they would like to see Sowell win in the All-American Competition and go on to compete in the Olympic trials after her senior year.

"Track and field has not had an All American Women yet. Men have had a lot. I think it would be fitting for someone from Natchitoches to be the first female track and field All American," Johnson said.

Baseball wrecks Tech, TSU; host Nicholls State this weekend

By Janie Warren
Sauce reporter

The NSU Demon baseball team is picking up its momentum as the season progresses.

The Demons (30-8, 10-5 SLC) have won the last six games, the most recent Southland conference series being the three-game series played against Sam Houston last weekend.

After their 14-inning, 4-3 win over Louisiana Tech, the Demons exploded for 15 runs against the Bulldogs Wednesday in a 15-2 win.

Demon head baseball coach Mitch Gaspard said the Tech game definitely triggered confidence.

"That game gave us a little more energy." Gaspard said. "Offensively, we've been playing better baseball."

The Demons ended the series last weekend with a 5-3 win over Sam Houston. While the Bearkats led the game in the first two innings, the Demons caught up in the bottom of the second inning. After a double and two singles, junior catcher Anatole Vincent achieved a run putting the Demons in the lead. Senior shortstop Ricky Solis then achieved his second home run of the season at the bottom of the sixth inning, handing the Demons the win.

The Demons will be home this weekend for another three-game Southland Conference series against Nicholls State beginning tomorrow in Brown-Stroud stadium at 1 p.m.

Gaspard said he anticipates good play from the team this weekend.

"I think we will play well because our offense is getting stronger," Gaspard said. "Our team is doing well coming from behind, and it has shown good championship qualities."

National Student-Athlete Week observances begin today at NSU

Northwestern State will mark National Student-Athlete Week starting Thursday with participation from National Football League representatives, civic activities and community outreach programs, and presentation of NSU's initial round of sportsmanship awards.

The official observance continues through next Tuesday, in conjunction with the National Consortium for Academics and Sports, recognizing student-athletes who have excelled competitively and academically. The event also calls attention to the civic and community outreach endeavors undertaken by student-athletes at Northwestern.

Seven NSU competitors will receive sportsmanship awards for their exemplary conduct. Chosen by their coaches, the recipients from fall and winter sports are All-American football star Gene Tennison, women's basketball Academic All-America nominee Anna Means, men's basketball player Jerrold McRae Jr., volleyball star Christina Stone, All-SLC soccer standout Jill Lowe along with Carrie Norton and Blake Hines of the women's and men's cross country teams.

Those presentations will be made Saturday afternoon during the NSU softball doubleheader starting at 1 o'clock at the Demon Diamond.

Activity begins Thursday when All-America softball candidate Annie Johnston, also an Academic All-America nominee, joins football quarterback Ben Beach and softball slugger Lindsay Leftwich as guest speakers at the Natchitoches Kiwanis Club luncheon.

Ron George and Guy Troupe of the NFL Education staff will later provide a power-point presentation and spearhead a discussion among NSU student-athletes regarding life skills and how to deal with agents, scouts and other outside influences.

A contingent of NSU student-athletes will visit the Very Special Arts Festival at the Ben Johnson Auditorium on Martin Luther King Drive in Natchitoches, joining in finger painting and other activities.

Julie Lessiter, the senior women's administrator at Northwestern and the academic counselor for athletics, is spearheading the observance. The 20-member Student-Athlete Advisory Council, including representatives from every NSU athletic team, assisted in planning the activities.

"We are very proud of the achievements of the young men and women who represent Northwestern in intercollegiate competition, and this observance is a token of our appreciation," said director of athletics Greg Burke. "We are particularly gratified to recognize our initial round of sportsmanship award winners."

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Baseball

Standings	W	L	%
1)Northwestern State	**10**	**5**	**.667**
2)Louisiana-Monroe	10	5	.667
3)Texas-Arlington	9	5	.643
4)McNeese State	9	5	.600
5)Texas-San Antonio	8	5	.533
6)SWT	7	6	.467
7)Lamar	7	7	.467
8)SLU	5	7	.333
9)Sam Houston	5	7	.333
10)Nicholls State	4	8	.286

E.R.A. (Team SLC)	
1)NSU	**3.08**
2)Lamar	4.41
3)Texas-San Antonio	4.67
4)McNeese State	4.96
5)Nicholls State	5.07

Wins (Team SLC)	
1)NSU	**28**
2)SWT	24
3)McNeese State	21
4)Nicholls State	20
5)3 tied at...	19

Did you know...

...O.J. King's full name is Ocfuske J King?
...Kenny Homann won second prize in a national physics competition in 2000?

Softball

Standings	W	L	%
1)Southwest Texas	18	3	.857
2)Northwestern State	**16**	**5**	**.762**
3)Texas-San Antonio	15	6	.714
4)McNeese State	9	9	.500
5)Sam Houston	9	9	.500
6)Louisiana-Monroe	10	11	.475
7)SLU	9	12	.428
8)Texas-Arlington	8	12	.400
9)Nicholls State	4	17	.190
10)SFA	3	17	.150

Home Runs (SLC Career)	
1)Marreaux,Heather, MCN	36
2)McElyea,Michelle, UTSA	36
3)Mancuso,Erin NSU	**35**
4)Michalsky, Amanda, UTSA	33

RBI (SLC)	
1)Menke, Kristy, SLU	42
2)Leftwich, Lindsay, NSU	**30**
3)Mancuso, Erin, NSU	**29**
4)Youngdale, Sarah, SWT	26
5)Kostic, Brooke, SLU	26

Runs scored (SLC)	
1)Johnston, Annie, NSU	**37**
2)Martin Nicole, NSU	**34**
3)Brownlee, Christy,UTSA	31
4)Zaleski,Kristen,SWT	31
5)Menke, Kristy, SLU	29

E.R.A. (SLC)	
1)Miller, Crista, NSU	**1.20**
2)Neuerburg, Nicole, SWT	1.29
3)Ortego, Amanda, NSU	**1.54**
4)Woodmansee,Nicole,SLU	1.61
5)Hale,Corrie, MCN	1.68

Did you know...

...Erin Mancuso is engaged to marry former Demon trainer Brad Woodard?
...Winter Militello's nickname is "puppy"?

Tennis

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SINGLES

Yvonne Bresler (Mc) d. Eliza Young 6-1, 6-2

Anneline Zerwick (NSU) d. Magali Risoleo 6-3, 6-4

Marina Gando (Mc) d. Katy Wallace 6-4, 6-1

Carolanne Lumsden (Mc) d. Alexandra Nieto 6-4, 6-2

Debora Montero (Mc) d. Camila Prado 6-2, 6-2

Johanna Tyrems (Mc) d. Ngoc Luu 6-4, 6-1.

DOUBLES

Young/Zerwick (NSU) d. Bresler/Lumsden 8-2

Risoleo/Gando (Mc) d. Wallace/Kimberly Conway 8-4

Tyrems/Kara Loubser (Mc) d. Nieto/Luu 8-4.

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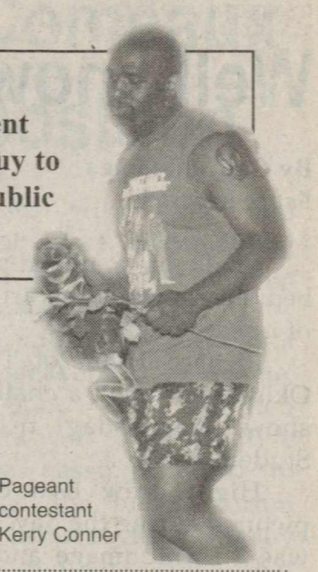


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Kent State

Anti-Israel column causes controversy at Kent State

The war in the Middle East came home to Kent State University.

A recent column in the paper is an ode to an 18-year-old female suicide bomber who recently killed herself and two others in Jerusalem.

In part, the column reads: "O, Allah, protect the soldiers of Islam fighting in Palestine. Accept the martyr into paradise....Let us take the pain of Ayat al-Akras and the hundreds like her into our hearts, so that the suffering awakens us to the terror done in our name and with our implicit silence, and moves us to action."

Lewis Fried, an English professor at Kent, read the column as a call to arms. He is urging the university to fire Julio Pino, the associate professor of history who wrote it.

"Anyone who advocates the murder of citizens cannot be on the faculty of the university," Fried said. "Our job is to create a good society."

Texas Tech

Texas Tech hosts conference of Vietnam conflict

This year, almost 100 presenters attended from 11 countries, including Canada, France, Denmark, Poland, South Korea and Australia. Their lectures topics included Lyndon B. Johnson, Amerasians, combat medicine, women in war and Vietnamese-Chinese relations.

Wilbur Scott, a sociology professor at the University of Oklahoma who served in Vietnam, was particularly pleased to see the conference draw more anti-war viewpoints, something that may have been missing in previous conferences.

"I'm still a participant in this with my own strongly held views," Reckner said. "I'm a hard-core conservative. At the same time, I'm an educator. I believe in the classic liberal idea of education."

NSU

NSU Symphony Orchestra in concert Tuesday, May 2

Northwestern Symphony Orchestra will perform conductor Richard Rose's "Requiem" when it performs its final concert of the 2001-2002 season Thursday May 2 at 7:30 p.m. in Magale Recital Hall. Admission is $10 and free for NSU students with I.D.

The orchestra will also play "Concerto for Bass Trombone and Orchestra" by Eric Ewazen and "Berceuse and Finale" from the "Firebird Suite" by Igor Stravinsky.

'And now he's not here...'

University mourns another fallen student

By Glenn Ward
Sauce Reporter

An NSU student was found unconscious in East Caspari Dormitory Tuesday morning and later died by causes still unknown.

Christopher Adam Cochran, a sophomore business administration major, was discovered lying next to the water fountain on the second floor of Caspari by Red River employee Christopher Lewis.

Lewis was filling in for someone and had arrived at East Caspari around 7:30 a.m. At about 9:50 a.m., Lewis walked upstairs to clean the showers and noticed Cochran on the floor unresponsive.

"My first thought was that somebody was drunk," Lewis said. "So I walked up close to look at his stomach and see if he was breathing.".

He was not.

Lewis ran to the nearest open room and phoned his office, which contacted security. They called health services. The nurse could not revive Cochran, and neither could the responding officer. They immediately called an ambulance.

Cochran was rushed to Natchitoches Parish Hospital and pronounced dead at 10:43 a.m.

"Even though I'm not a physician or nurse, it appears his death may have been related to his diabetic condition," Director of Student Services Francis Conine said.

Neither a death certificate nor a police report had been released at the time of publication. However, Conine said that sometimes diabetics exhibit traits similar to those of an intoxicated person.

Caspari resident James Johns had talked to Cochran 20 or 30 minutes before Cochran collapsed.

"He came to get some water and I asked him if he was alright," Johns said. "Chris told me he was a little sick, and

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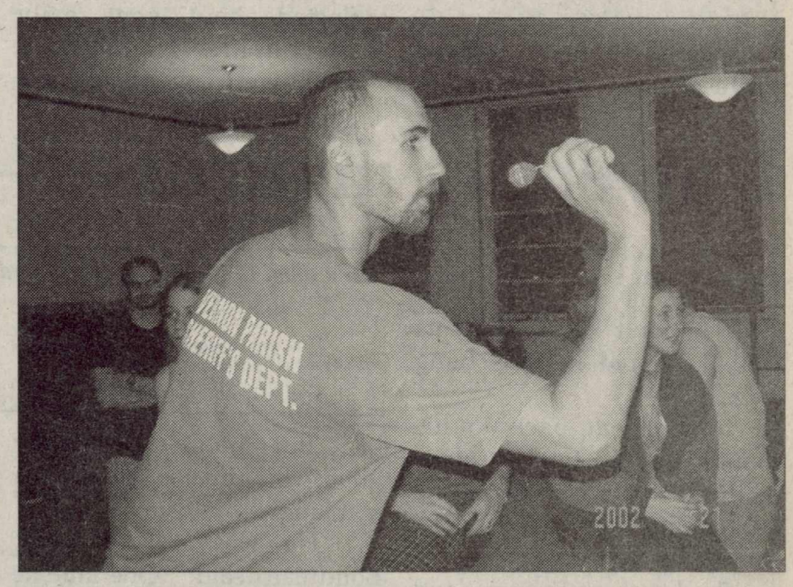


Photo courtesy of the SAB

Christopher Adam Cochran competes in the SAB-sponsored Caspari Hall Dart Tournament on March 21. Cochran was a University student and resident of Caspari Hall who passed away Tuesday. He will be missed by all who knew him at NSU.

Beating the Odds

An inspiring account of the obstacles and achievements of Wendy Trahan

By Callie Reames
Sauce Reporter

Wendy Trahan is in the last weeks of her sophomore year, but she has only been in school since spring 2001. As a 27-year-old single mother of two, the commuting chemistry major has a lot of responsibilities.

Wendy was born in California, and growing up, her family moved from state to state because her father was in the Navy. She lived in Hawaii, New Hampshire, Maine, Colorado, and at 17, she graduated from a Connecticut high school with a 3.8 GPA.

She moved to New Orleans after graduation to take a break from school despite discouragement from her parents. Wendy had no friends in New Orleans, but within a couple of weeks she had found a place to live as well as a circle of friends.

After being in New Orleans for almost two years, Wendy and her roommate went to Conroe, Texas, for a couple of months. When they returned to New Orleans, they couldn't find a place to live. Wendy's friend found people to stay with, but Wendy homelessly entered into the most difficult part of her two years in New Orleans.

Wendy said the worst thing about those days was, "finding out all the people that were my friends didn't come through."

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Photos by Callie Reames

(Above) Wendy Trahan waits outside in a stairwell in Fournet Hall for her chemistry lab to begin.

(Below) Trahan, a 27 year-old single mother of one, is currently pursuing a chemistry degree from the University. Trahan commutes every day from Alexandria for class.



Numbers show more students moving off campus

By Joni Shirley
Sauce Reporter

Northwestern's Student Life Department reports an estimated 3,700 Northwestern students are classified as commuters with most of these students preferring an off-campus residence.

NSU's Shreveport campus accounts for about 1,000 students. Approximately another 1,000 students represent NSU's satellite sites along with students enrolled in Internet classes. The Columns apartments houses 500 students. Dormitories on campus house an approximate 1,800 students. These two figures represent 38 percent of the total 9,500 students enrolled at NSU at present.

Natchitoches parish has 13 real estate agents who are currently members of the Natchitoches Board of Realtors. There are also other agencies and individuals not affiliated with a certified board or real estate association. Any student interested in information for an off-campus residence may refer to the yellow pages in a local telephone book or a local newspaper.

There are three electric utility companies serving Natchitoches parish. The City of Natchitoches provides service within the city limits of Natchitoches. Valley Electric serves electricity only outside the city limits of Natchitoches. Entergy services other outlying areas within the parish.

Parish and city housing may be an option for some students. For information, call (318) 352-9774 if moving into the city limits or (318) 357-0553 if moving outside the city limits.

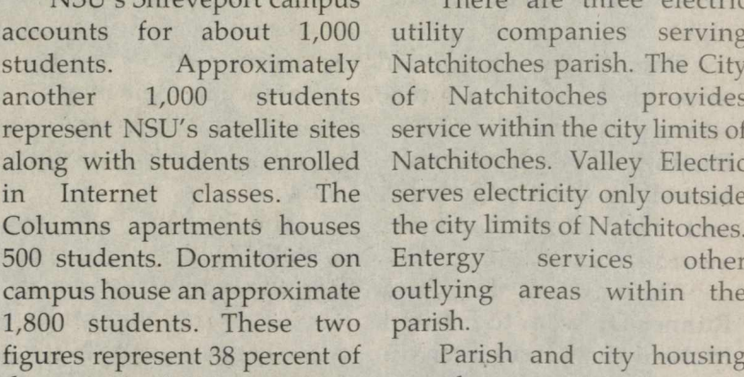


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The wait is over

After many months of anticipation, the 2002 Potpourri has arrived. The boxes of books arrived at the University Tuesday morning. The 2002 Potpourri is tentatively scheduled to be handed out from May 6 through May 10 in Room 108 of Kyser Hall from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For more information contact Josh Green, Potpourri editor-in-chief, at 357-5384.

Well-known artist draws crowd in Student Union

By Callie Reames
Sauce Reporter

Chalk on a queen-sized bed sheet equals the artistry of a seasoned artist.

Richard Hight of Tulsa, Okla., performed a chalk art show Wednesday in the Student Union.

Hight drew two chalk pictures during the day. One was a scenic image and the second was of a flying eagle in front of an American flag. With music from Enya and Celine Dion playing in the background, Hight started his presentation with seemingly sporadic doodles on the taught black bed sheet.

Hight plans his pictures an hour or so before each creation, and about 15 minutes after he starts, the work is complete.

Hight has been professionally drawing with chalk for 15 years and interested in drawing since he was three years old.

"My goal is always to be the best artist that I can be," Hight said.

He studied at the Colorado Institute of Art in Denver and the Art Institute in Chicago.

Hight said there are perhaps six people in the United States that perform full-time like he does, and he presents his shows at high schools, universities and corporate events. He has also toured with many major Christian bands, including Third Day.

Prior to the performance, Hight talked about the influence that the events of Sept. 11 had on his life and his artwork.

"Many of us have reflected about what really matters in life," Hight said.

He went on to explain that he wants to create pictures that induce positive changes in peoples' lives.

"I hope you're entertained," Hight said. "I hope you're inspired by what I do."

Hight's pictures will be preserved by hairspray and kept by the Student Activities Board Office until they are auctioned or raffled off.

The cost of a Richard Hight performance varies with a schools' budget, but it generally costs around $1,500.

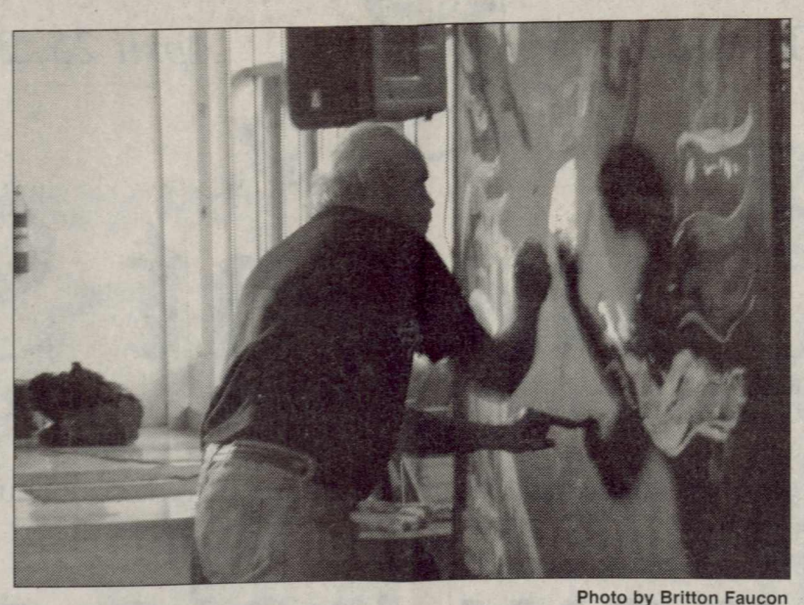


Photo by Britton Faucon
Artist Richard Hight performs in front of a small audience of University students in the Student Union lobby on Wednesday.

University mourns

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since I didn't know him that well, I figured he was hung over."

Johns went back to his room to use the Internet while waiting for class. Later, he heard the police and an ambulance outside.

Freshman music major and Caspari resident Ryan Sickel had seen Cochran at the water fountain around 1:30 a.m. Sickel noticed nothing unusual and went to sleep.

"He was a really cool guy," Sickel said. "I mean he always meant well."

Former Caspari A.C. Beau Boudreaux echoed those sentiments and added that Cochran had a big heart.

"We had a watermelon-fest after a hall meeting and Chris helped me thaw it out... We put it in the microwave for a little bit. But it still tasted really good," Boudreaux said with a soft laugh.

> ***"We used to go to play darts and shoot pool at The Bedrock."***
>
> **Michael Grantham**
> **Junior business administration major**
> **About Cochran**

"He was a nice guy," Boudreaux said. "One time he brought a couple of watermelons from back home for everyone. We devoured those. And we used to play darts every now and then."

Earlier in the semester, SAB sponsored a dart tournament for Caspari and Cochran won first place.

"We used to go to play darts and shoot pool at The Bedrock," junior business administration major Michael Grantham said. "He was friendly and told a lot of jokes."

When Grantham saw Cochran Monday night, he noticed that Cochran looked ill.

"It didn't look like it was from diabetes," Grantham said. "More like a cold, it sounded like he had a cold."

Grantham said that Cochran had a history of diabetic attacks and remembered when Cochran's insulin levels dropped critically while at Iberville earlier in the semester.

"He had to stay in the hospital for a couple of days," Grantham said.

Grantham also recalled Cochran's generosity.

"He would bring his barbeque pit up with his blue flatbed," said Grantham. "Park it in the back and just grill: chicken, hamburgers, steak...bought it all himself and just hand it out to everyone like, 'Hey, you wanna steak'?"

Grantham mentioned a similar incident when two Northwestern maintenance workers asked if they could buy some steaks. Cochran simply gave them away.

"They took some and came back a little later," Grantham said, "and told him they were really good. Then they asked for some more and he gave them more."

Grantham said he already misses Cochran's presence.

"He sat in front of me in English 2050," recalled Grantham. "I would have told him about our paper we turned in...and now he's not here. It's gonna be weird not having him to talk to."

Third Annual Distinguished Gentlemen's Pageant

By Amy Walmsley
Sauce Reporter

Delta Sigma Theta sorority's Third Annual Distinguished Gentlemen's Pageant was held Tuesday night.

Darryl Davis won in three of the six categories, taking home the title of 2002 Distinguished Gentleman, as well as Mr. Congeniality and the People's Choice award.

The award for First Runner-Up went to Fredrick McNeal. LaMarcus Franklin won honors for the best tribute. And Craig Jones won the title of Mr. Industrious, which is awarded to the contestant who raises the most money through penny wars and raffle ticket sales.

Each of the 10 contestants in the Gentlemen's Pageant were judged on style and appearance, character and their ability to answer random questions, Iota Mu chapter president of Delta Sigma Thèta Shondale Smith said.

The contestants had to be full-time Northwestern students with a 2.0 GPA or above. Each contestant also had to model an outfit for sports wear, casual dress and sleepwear.

The contestants also prepared a tribute to someone who made a difference in their lives. The tribute could be in the form of a skit, poem, essay or song.

The 5 people who were asked to judge the pageant by members of the sorority included graduate students Mia Figgins and Natasha McPhearson, biology professor Jonathan Akin, Renee Myers, an employee at the NSU post office, and Anthony Milner, a teacher in Red River parish.

The Gentlemen's Pageant was part of Delta Sigma Theta's Delta Daze, a week-long event with different activities each day. The sorority will conclude Delta Daze Friday with a presentation of study tips in the Student Union and Iberville Hall at noon to help students with their finals, sorority member Charmaine Owens said.

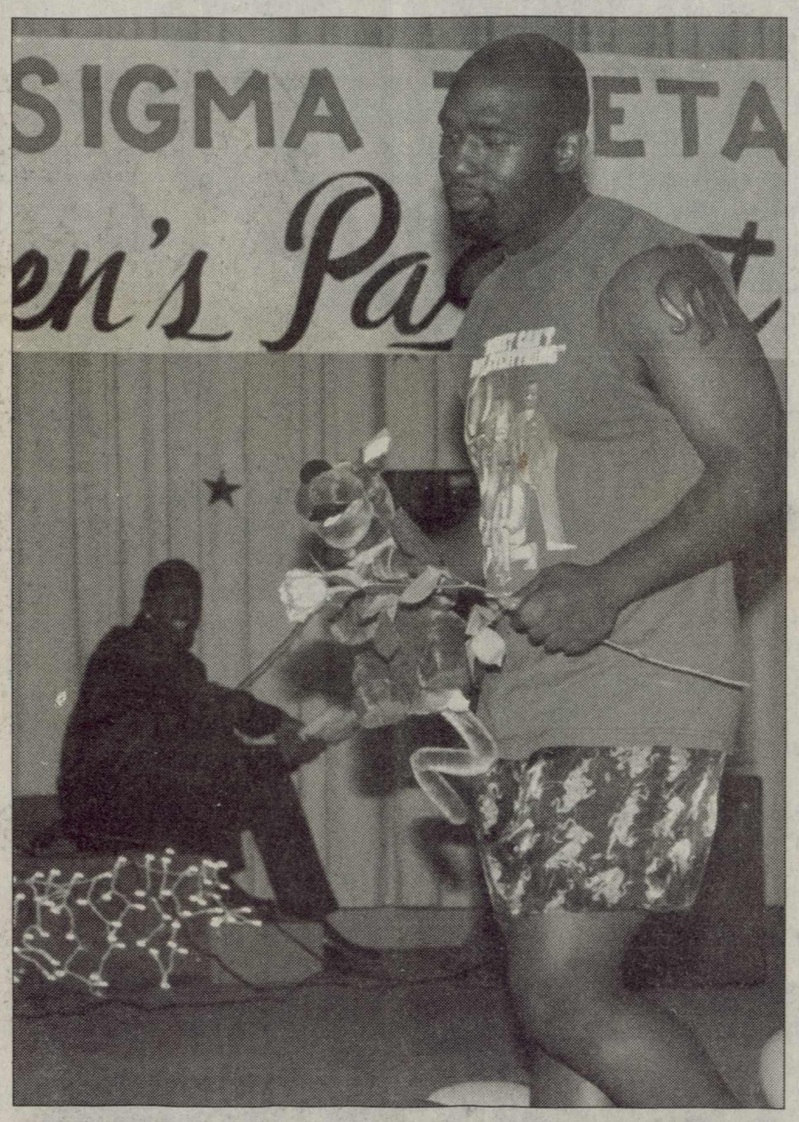


Photo by Amy Walmsley
Kerry Conner of Omega Psi Phi fraternity shows off his silky boxers at the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Distinguished Gents Pageant held on Tuesday at 7 p.m.

Local journalism celebrities set to speak at forum

By Brodie Vidrine
Sauce Reporter

This year's Spring Newsmakers and Shakers Open Forum will feature Monica Carter and Donecia Pea of the *Shreveport Times* as guest speakers.

Carter and Pea will speak about "Diversity in Journalism" and "Starting your Journalism Career" and answer questions.

The forum will be held at 2 p.m. Monday in the TV studio in Kyser Hall and is open to anyone that wishes to attend.

Carter is currently the Feature Assistant Editor at the *Shreveport Times*. She is from Jackson, Miss., and holds a master's degree in journalism from Southern University. Carter has recently finished her first novel, "As If Nothing Happened," and hopes to have it on shelves by August.

Pea specializes in reporting education stories ranging from elementary to higher education for the *Times*. She is from Shreveport and holds a Bachelor of Arts in Mass Communication from Dillard University.



Carter



Pea

Campus Connections

Library books due

Attention all University students. NSU Libraries will convert to a new library system called Link beginning this summer. Due to this changeover, all circulating material must be turned in no later than tomorrow. Students who will need to keep books beyond this date should contact Yolanda Bobb at 357-4477.

Louisiana Association of Museums

The 2002 **Louisiana Association of Museums** Annual Conference will be held today at NSU. The conference is co-sponsored by NSU. Registration begins at 11 a.m. in the Orville Hanchey Gallery. All sessions are free. For more information contact Carolyn Harrington at 357-2270.

Job Opportunities

The **Counseling and Career Center** has received correspondence of interviews from Cargill, Inc., production supervisor. Industrial Engineering majors are preferred. For more information students can stop by the CCS office in Room 305 of the Student Union.

First Baptist Church

The **First Baptist Church** of Natchitoches will have a free lunch and Bible study every Sunday following their 11 a.m. service. The First Baptist Church of Natchitoches is located on 508 Second St.

Catholic Student Organization

The **CSO** will have a theology study and faith sharing Sunday nights at 8, followed by the 9:30 Mass. Bible Study is every Tuesday night at 8, and Fellowship is every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m., followed by a free meal. Everyone is welcome. For more info, contact Amy Dowden at 352-2615.

Baptist Collegiate Ministry

The **BCM** will have Wednesday night worship across the street from Watson Library every week. The worship begins at 8:31. All students are welcome to attend. The BCM also has a $1 lunch encounter on Thursdays from 11:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. For more information call the BCM at 352-5464.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes

FCA will be having its weekly fellowship every Tuesday night. The meetings are held in the athletic field house on the south end of Turpin Stadium at 8. There will be a devotional speaker each week. Everyone is welcome.

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Student Senate appoints Comeaux to Speaker of the Senate position

By Andrew David
Sauce Reporter

After postponing the vote for a week, the SGA elected senator-at-large Greg Comeaux to the position of speaker of the senate.

Comeaux credited his election to the presence of senators who were absent from last week's meeting.

"I targeted the people that weren't there, Buster Carlisle and Leslie Bean," Comeaux said.

Comeaux said following student interests and keeping an orderly senate would be the goals of his term.

"I really just want to continue working for the students to shear up any loose ends and to run the meetings smoothly," Comeaux said.

Comeaux's opponent, senator-at-large Scott Manguno, expressed disappointment over losing the bid for the position.

"I was looking forward to being speaker," Manguno said. "It's something that I had set my sights on and had a certain vision on where I wanted to take the speaker, but the senate gets to decide and I look forward to working with Greg and possibly start implementing my ideals and just moving forward for now."

In addition to electing a new speaker of the senate, the SGA also handled matters of a legislative nature passing a bill to arrange for public forum with lecturer Rick Rigsby and another bill that allocated more than $9,000 for the flight team's national competition. The third bill, which called for a constitutional amendment to regulate the use of SGA office computers, failed.

Minutes 04-22-02

I. Call to Order- 7:05 p.m.

The prayer was lead by Beau Boudreaux. The pledge was lead by Keith Gates.

Roll Call
Present
Leanna Anderson
Beau Boudreaux
Rusty Broussard
Leslie Bean
Buster Carlisle
Greg Comeaux
StacieCosby
Dustin Floyd
Adam Stoll
Sarah Griffith
Jeremy Malmay
Dustin Matthews
Luke Hutchison
Liz Hughes
Jennifer Jensen
Linzie Ledford
Scott Manguno
Mindy McConnell
Patrick Peoples
Keith Gates
Zack Pulliam
James Rolf
Melissa Snelling
Cade Strong
Frank Toro
Torrey Washington
Absent
Jana Freeman
Tometrius Greer
Adam Pennell
Travis Williams

II. Executive Reports
Treasurer- Frank Toro
The budget is almost identical to the one from two weeks ago. If you want the exact amount, come see me. Thank you to the Senate for a great year and to all the committees.
Vice President -Dustin Matthews
Welcome to the Flight Team. Thanks to the Senate for a great year, and for all of your hard work. The Banquet is Monday, please tell the newly elected Senators if you see them. Have a good summer.
President - Rusty Broussard
$3,500 assisting Mark Deshotel to reopen Chaplains Lake for rowing and canoeing. Media Board will be meeting Thurs. at 2:30. Rusty gave a wonderful heart filled speech thanking all of the senators for their hard work, and the faculty advisors for theirs. News about the banquet, it will be for SGA, and parents of the incoming and outgoing executives. It is to be formal attire.

III. Departmental Reports
Academic Affairs- Stacie Cosby
Please promote Ballroom dancing. Scan-tron giveaway did not turn out as well as she had hoped. Thanks to every one who attended the meetings.
External Affairs- Greg Comeaux
This is my last report as Commissioner of External Affairs. We will have another meeting on Thursday to publicize Ballroom Dancing. It is the last big thing besides forum.
Fiscal Affairs- Frank Toro
SP02-032 is up tonight dealing with money for the Flight Team to go to Nationals. It is on Emergency Status.
Internal Affairs- Dustin Floyd
Thanks for a Great year! Good job on the legislation this semester
Student Affairs- Buster Carlisle
Thanks to every one who has been going t o Traffic and Safety.
SAB Report- Beau Boudreaux
None.
Advisor's Report- Mr. Henry
There will be one more Traffic Appeals meeting. I need to meet with the new Senators and Executives. Thanks for everything.
Supreme Court Report- Supreme Court Justice
The semester was kinda dead. Thank you!

IV. Old Business
Bill SP02-030 up. Greg Comeaux moves to approve, Torrey Washington seconds. Motion passes by role call vote 23-0-0.
Bill SP02-031 is up dealing with computer usage. Mindy McConnell moves to approve. Sarah Griffith seconds. Greg Comeaux moves to amend the bill to say " ...he or she will loose their computer privaliges for one month for the first offense. The second time they will be up for removal." Mindy McConnell seconds. Motion passes by show of hands. The amended bill SP02-031 fails by role call vote 17-4-2.
The Senate voted on Speaker of the Senate for next year. By way of Secret Ballot, Greg Comeaux is your new Speaker of the Senate.
For Department Commissioners, Senators were nominated and voted on as follows:
Student Affairs:
Cade Strong nominates Torrey Washington. Greg Comeaux nominates Luke Hutchinson. Luke respectfully declines. Greg moves to appoint Torrey by acclimation. Mindy McConnell seconds. Motion passes by show of hands. Congratulations Torrey!
Academic Affairs:
Buster Carlisle nominates Cade Strong. Cade declines. Stacy Cosby nominates Casey. Beau Boudreaux moves to postpone the voting until the banquet. Mindy seconds. Motion fails by show of hands 17-3-0. Buster re-nominates Cade Strong. Cade accepts. Greg moves to appoint Cade by acclimation. Zack Pulliam seconds. Motion passes by show of hands. Congratulations Cade!
External Affairs:
Greg Comeaux nominates Scott Manguno. Scott respectfully declines. Greg Comeaux nominates Mindy McConnell. She accepts. Buster Carlisle nominates Jared Hewitt. Buster moves to postpone the voting until the banquet when Jared can be present. Sarah Griffith seconds. Motion fails by show of hands. Mindy wins by acclimation.
Linzie Ledford left.

V. New Business
SP02-028 dealing with money for the Flight Team is up, and on Emergency Status. Greg moves to amend the bill to read" $9,735" Zack Pulliam seconds. Greg Comeaux moves to approve the bill, Cade Strong seconds. The Flight Team spoke on their behalf, and answered questions. Motion passes by role call vote 16-5-1.
Voting on the new Media Board went as follows:
Dominique Irvin, Jennifer Grey, Kelli Ourso, and Rob Morgan's names were submitted for the Media Board. Buster Carlisle moves to remove Rob Morgan and replace his name with Andrew David. Greg Comeaux seconds. Motion passes by show of hands 18-1-2. The Senate now voted for the new list of Media Board nominees. Motion passes by show of hands 22-1-0.

VI. Announcements
The forum will be next week. The date will be up tomorrow. We would like everyone to attend.
Please give the Executives a round of applause.
There will be a meeting with Dr. Webb Wed. at 3:00.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.

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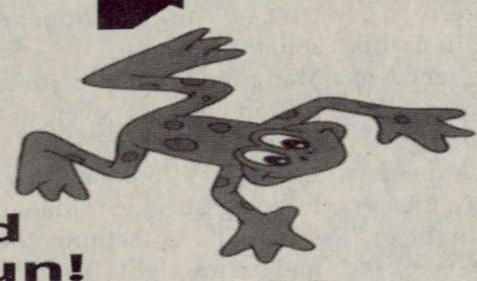
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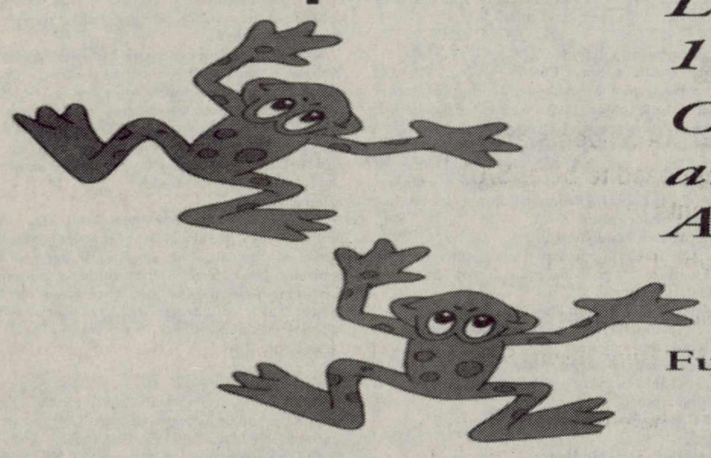
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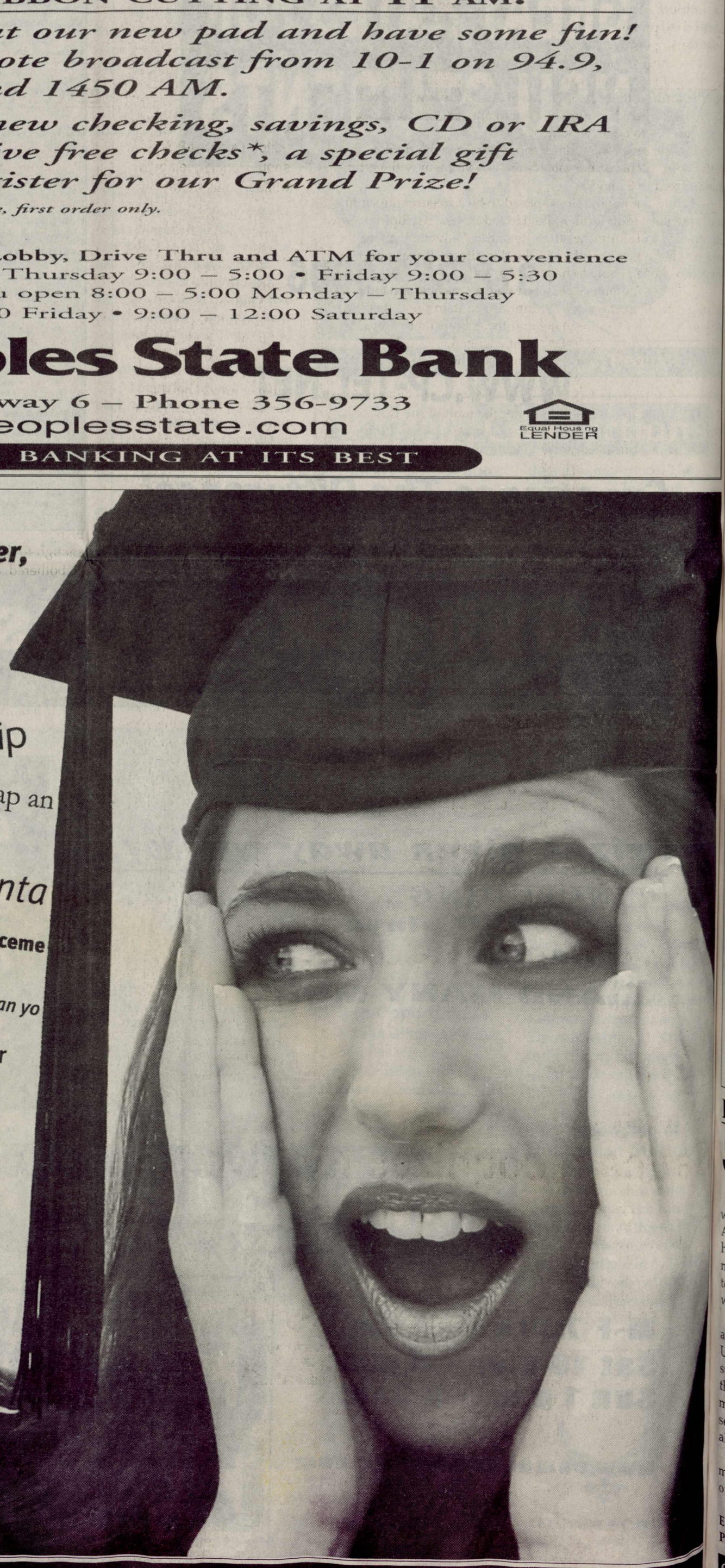
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Sauce*Column*

Columnist attempts to clarify previous week's editorial about Sabine

It has come to my attention that the opinion given in last week's edition of *The Current Sauce* has caused some problems.

It an attempt to clarify these problems, I have decided to respond to these questions. This is a clarification.



Tiffany Trichell
Tiff's Take

In the past week, my R.A. and other individuals within the housing department have come under scrutiny about the opinions in this column. At no time during last week's article did I say that these individuals were responsible for the problems that I experienced. It is not the fault of these people. My R.A. does an excellent job and does not in any way deserve to be reprimanded.

It is, however, the fault of those persons who do not sufficiently do his or her job. There is a problem with getting things fixed in Sabine.

Voicing an opinion is supposed to be a freedom given to each an every individual in the United States. My opinion was an attempt to inform the students of this University about the neglect that has taken place in the dormitory. It was never my intent to cause people to have jobs at stake.

There is a difference between voicing an opinion and stating a fact. Last week's column did contain the facts from my point of view of how long and the actions that had to be taken in order to get a simple light changed.

If they were taken as anything else other than my point of view, then I am sorry for that. It is not in my control how my opinion is interpreted. I cannot help how people will react.

The situation last week was not the fault of my R.A. or other individuals in Sabine. It is someone's fault and this person or persons need to take responsibility for his or her actions.

Tiffany Trichell is a junior English major. Her column appears weekly in *The Current Sauce*.

Correction

In the April 18 edition of *The Current Sauce*, we incorrectly identified Brad Woodard as a former Demon Softball team trainer. Woodard was formerly the Softball team manager.

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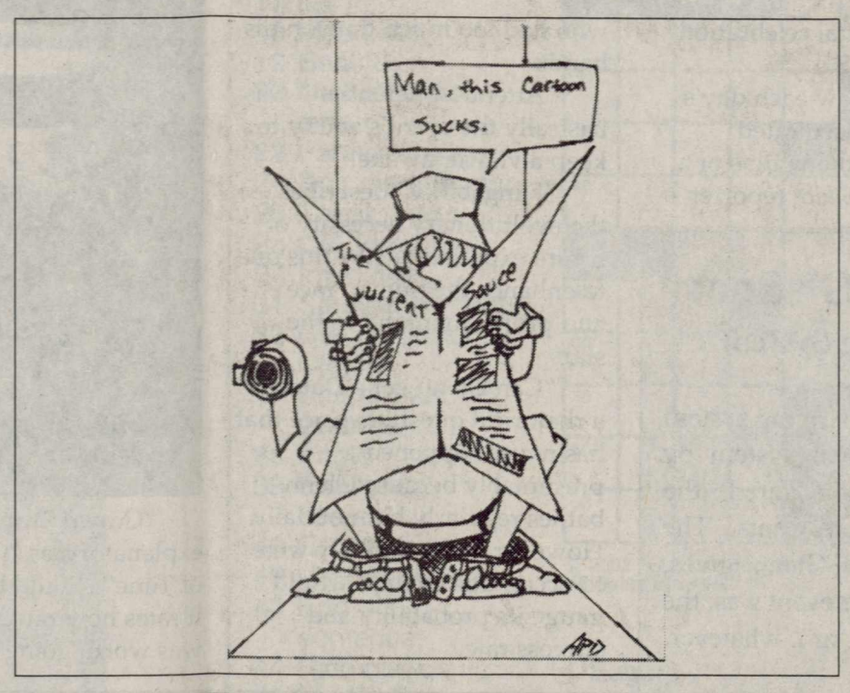
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Letters to the Editor

Columnists who write editorials about R.A.'s should 'enjoy their jobs while it's still there'

Jacey Cornell
Sophomore

Readers of Current Sauce-- beware.

Students of NSU need to be told that some columnist do not tell the truth and have a twisted take on things. It a shame when a grown person cannot go to Wal-mart and buy a $.50 lightbulb to cahge the busted lightbulb in the shower themselves.

When the dorms opened at the beginning of the semester, I was the first person, other than my R.A., Jessica Walls, to move onto our hall. As my parents were helping me to get the last of my stuff into my room, Jessica came down to introduce herself to me. She would always be there for me and the rest of the girls on the hall whenever we needed her. she has never let me, or any of the other girls on this hall down.

If there is any R.A. who does their job better than Jessica Walls, I have not met them yet. She is an R.A. 24/7 and does everything she can to make sure that the girls on her hall are well taken care of. I fell safer knowing that my R.A. is willing to wake me up to let me know that our doors can still be broken into.

She was basically saying that she was upset that Jessica was spending more time "disturbing" the hall with meetings about the break-ins and our safety than she was in getting her lightbulb fixed. I was not on campus the night that all the meetings took place, but I was told about them a few days later when I came home and when Jessica asked me to come to her room.

She let me know that the room on our hall that she still able to break into was mine.

She also let me know that she had gotten it fixed within 24 hours. I felt so safe knowing that my R.A. cared about me enough to even check my door and make sure that it was fixed. For someone to say that this is a distubance is also saying that my safety and well-being isn't important enough to them to be bothered, and niether is anyone elses on our hall.

The last thing that I have to say about Tiffany's article is simply this. You said in your article that you were "niether writing (your) article against th hardworking desk workers, R.A.'s and A.C.'s on duty...". Well, you were wrong. All your article did was put down Jessica, the R.a. on 3rd North whose name you can't even bother to remember. She is the best R.A. Northwestern has, and whereas other R.A.'s have a policy that states for you not to knock on their door after a certian time, Jessica does not mind if we knock on her door at 4:00 in the morning.

My opinion is, to people at the Current Sauce who write lies about certian people, enjoy you job while it's still there.

LSMSA students are not supposed to be at SAB events

Robert Silvie II
Sophomore
Public Relations and Advertising Agent, SAB

I hate to be cruel and callous here, but what I am about to say needs to be said. Erryca Robicheaux felt disappointed with the Student Activities Board (SAB).

She was angry that we relocated the event to A.A. Fredericks auditorium. She also said that she might go to another SAB event if she is passing by, but she will not go out of her way to attend.

First, there was a pickup in wind speed outside around seven o'clock when we were preparing to set up the equipment. The equipment operator told us that it doesn't take much wind to blow the screen over.

My second point is that LSMSA students are not to be allowed at SAB events. Reasons being that the money used to pay for the acts that are brought in to Northwestern's campus are paid for with ten dollars from the student association fee included in every NSU student's fees here on campus.

LSMSA students do not have to pay these fees and therefore are not supposed to be allowed at SAB events. In the past, we have been very relaxed about checking student ID's at our events. Our advisors have told us to be more stringent in the future though.

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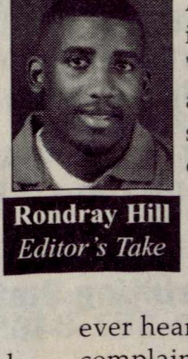
Sauce recognizes top five NSU administrative, staff members

In a continuation of last week's Sauce Excellence Awards, this week we will honor five NSU staff members who go out of their to make NSU the place where students come first.

Each of these five people are both an asset to the University as well as the students who benefit from their services. This list can go much longer than five selections, but space will allow me only five.

So, the top five NSU staff members, in no particular order, are...

1) Robert Crew, Executive Assistant to the President-Being Executive Assistant to the President is kinda like being an offensive lineman on a football team; there's no glamour or prestige in this mostly thankless job, and everyone usually takes your presence for granted, but someone has to do it. Enter Robert Crew. It's Crew's job to handle messy work that gets directed towards the President, and the reason President Webb can concentrate on more pressing university issues is because Crew does his job so well.



Rondray Hill
Editor's Take

2) Gracie Hartley, Manager, Chick-Fil-A-The best representative of every hard-working ARAmark employee is known simply as "Miss Gracie." She's a woman who still smiles and holds a conversation with as many students as she can. I've never seen Hartley have a bad day, nor have I ever heard any student complain about her attitude in the four years I've known her. I guess if you hate smiles and sincerity, then you might have something to complain about with her.

3) Doug Ireland, Sports Information Director- Everything I learned about NSU sports, I learned from Doug Ireland. I have, and always will, respect his news judgment and will be forever grateful for the opportunities in sports journalism that Ireland has provided me. And even when we disagreed on certain issues, he's always respected me enough to tell me his concerns face-to-face, which is something I can't say for many people at this school.

4) Gary Hardamon, NSU Photographic Services- Here's the truth: if you're hosting an NSU event, and Gary Hardamon is not taking pictures of it, then you're not hosting an NSU event-Period. In addition to consistently bailing The Current Sauce out of photography nightmares, Hardamon has traveled the Earth photographing every NSU event possible. I honestly believe Hardamon has 28 hours in a day.

5) Molly Giering, Bookkeeper, University Columns-The unofficial "Publisher" of The Current Sauce. Giering is in charge of making sure the bratty kids who live in the Columns pay their rent on time. She's a no-nonsense person who doesn't like excuses, yet she's always been more than willing to help any student who may need a little time to collect all his or her rent money. She also cares about the University, and takes time out of her busy schedule every week to discuss issues raised in The Current Sauce.

So, that's it. These are the top five NSU staff members, to go along with the top four NSU faculty members. Each of these nine people are jewels that this university needs to hold onto.

Rondray Hill is Editor of The Current Sauce. Post a message on the "Talk Back to the Editor" page at currentsauce.com

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Spring Fling week gets rated

By Glenn Ward
Sauce Reporter

Crawfish, photo buttons and a guy who ate fire were all part of last week's Spring Fling, an annual celebration hosted by SAB.

Note: Below each day's events have been rated according to the whims of a lone *Current Sauce* reporter who had too much time on his hands.

"Attention Retention" was basically the event's ability to keep a viewer awake.

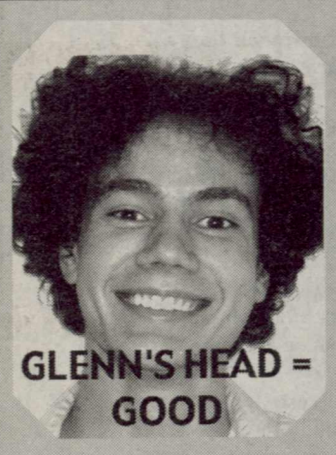
"Flingability" describes the evolutionary necessity of future experiences like this one to enhance the human race and propel mankind to the stars.

"Can Glenn get a Date" is a rhetorical question, since that has never happened presumably because Glenn bathes regularly but not daily. However, if the unlikely were to occur, this column would gauge its probability and success rate.

"Crowd Turnout" is self-explanatory, as "Good Waste of Time" should be, but if not, it rates how much the event was worth going to, if at all.



Photo By Glenn Ward
Sparks fly as Recycled Percussion makes garbage sound beautiful for approximately 300 students in the A.A Fredericks Performing Arts building Thursday night. Their act was part of SAB's Spring Fling celebration.



The "G" Spot
Rating System

The "G" Spot rating system is a numerical system by which Glenn rated the Spring Fling events. The more heads Glenn gives, the better the event was, the less it stank, or ...whatever.

Events	Attention Retention	Flingability	Can Glenn get a Date	Crowd Turnout	Good Waste of Time
Monday Coffeehouse Comedy Jam	3	3	1	1	2.5
Tuesday "Ocean's 11" Drive-in Movie (moved)	3	1	1	3	2
Wednesday Photo buttons (Songfest cancelled)	0.5	0.5	1	1	1
Thursday Magic act and Recycled Percussion	4	2	2	2	4
Friday Crawfish boil	3.5	3.5	3.5	4	3.5

Beating the Odds

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The best thing for Wendy was her gain of maturity.

"I grew up a lot during that time period," Wendy said.

Wendy's grandfather lived in Dry Prong and drove to pick her up from New Orleans.

Some other relatives could have aided her in her search for a place to live, but they opted not to assist so Wendy could learn a lesson.

Her grandfather, however, said he would help her out of that situation, and she went to live with him.

She then went to LSU-A for a year where she met her ex-husband. They dated for four months and then got married.

Wendy now says she would never recommend a dating period that short.

After marrying, they moved to San Francisco with their first baby because of her husband's Coast Guard job.

The couple realized within six months that they shouldn't have gotten married so soon, but they tried to make it work.

Counseling, one child and six years later, they went their separate ways.

Wendy moved back to Louisiana with her children, and her husband stayed in the San Francisco Bay Area, where they had lived.

During those years in California, Wendy said she really got to know herself. Her husband would be gone for four months at a time with the Coast Guard, and even though she had her children, she was without the friends or family that she was accustomed to.

Wendy said, "Our marriage wasn't very good...It was the first time I was truly alone."

The birth of her son three years ago was a wake-up call for Wendy, who was almost terrified at the thought of remaining in her unhappy marriage. She didn't want her children to see their parents' relationship and assume it was normal and healthy.

"I was like, you know what? I'm not stuck. I have two children. There are women who do it all the time. I can go back to college," Wendy said.

That's exactly what she did, too. She knew she was good at math and science, so she came back to Louisiana and enrolled at NSU as a freshman.

She now lives in Pineville with her retired parents and has nearly gained junior status after only one year.

Wendy wakes up most school days at 5 a.m. to get her children and herself ready for the day. The daily hour-and-a-half drive brings her to the portion of the day that she dedicates to schoolwork.

Wendy goes to classes like Organic Chemistry II, Organic Metallics, Inorganic Chemistry, Calculus and, in addition to that, she goes to the lab classes that accompany most of those.

"I normally do not take schoolwork home. I try to get it done here so when I do go home, I'm a mother. I'm not a student," Wendy explained.

Wendy's driving force is determination, and her motivation is her family. She decided to change her unhappy circumstances, and with her 3.6 GPA, a chemistry degree is getting closer every day.

"I keep my eye on the goal," Wendy said. She plans to graduate in 2004 then get a master's degree in Analytical Chemistry. She is considering graduate schools in Hawaii and Germany. Ultimately, she would like to work on a forensics team somewhere.

Personally, things are going well for Wendy. She is engaged to an Army pilot and said, "He's everything that I wish would have happened before."

Wendy is an example of success despite unwise decisions.

When asked if she would change anything, Wendy said, "Absolutely not."

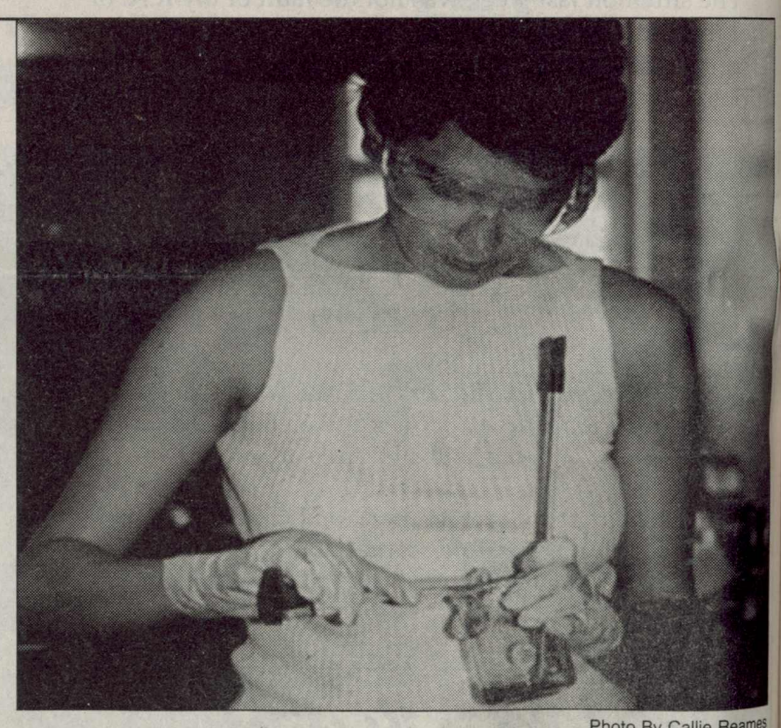


Photo By Callie Reames
Wendy Trahan, a chemistry major, examines a beaker in her lab class.

Audience participant production -- "Lines in the Sand," an NSU original

By Britton Faucon
Sauce Reporter

"Lines in the Sand," an NSU original production, opened its four-day run Wednesday.

Reservations can be made beforehand in the theater office in room 105 in the Fine Arts Building.

Each show begins at 7:30 p.m. in A.A. Fredericks Building.

"Lines in the Sand is not going to be your typical theater," director Scott Burrell said. "Even the audience will play an important role in this production."

Burrell said the audience will be asked to surpass their role as observers and become participants in the production.

Burrell said the audience will be split up into five groups and moved around to several stages throughout the theater building.

Burrell said "Lines in the Sand" began as a title of a play and an idea in a class of 30 students. After research and a discussion of themes, the class compiled a script based on Sept. 11.

"It would be impossible for NSU Theater to let the events that occurred on and around Sept. 11 go without some type of response," Burrell said.

Burrell said it is a play that questions our role as Americans after this tragedy.

On April 30 and May 1, theatre students in Scott Burrell's directing class will direct a one-act scene in Theatre West at 7 p.m. Burrell said seating is based on a first come first serve basis.

"Each director has 30 minutes to shine," Burrell said. "These are good shows because they are shows the students have chosen [and] they are contemporary [pieces]."

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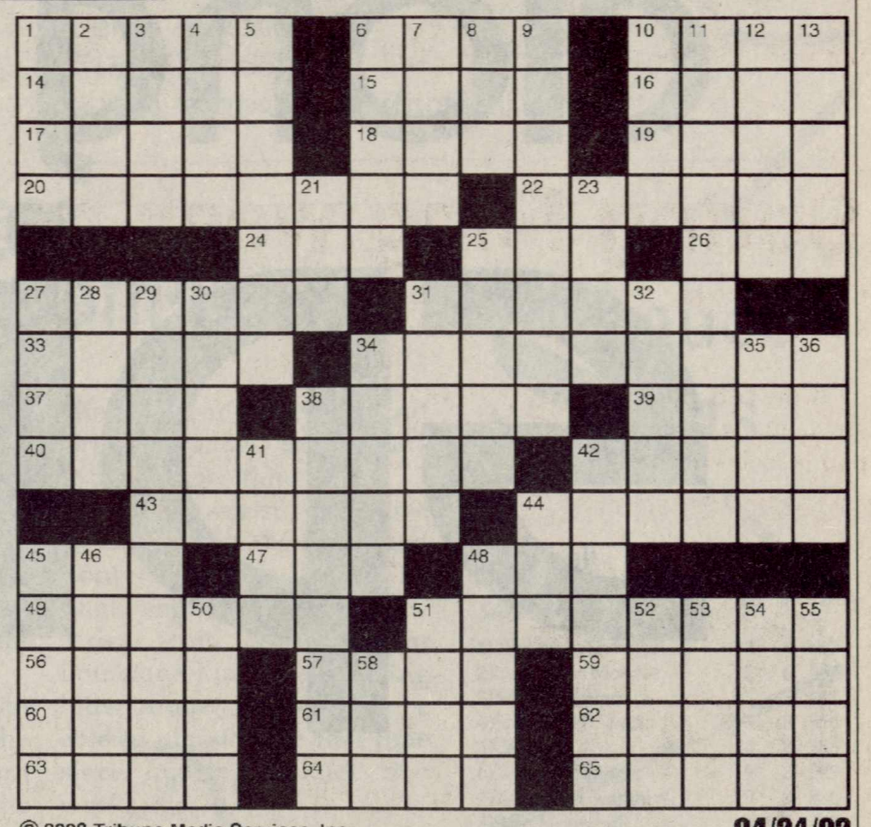
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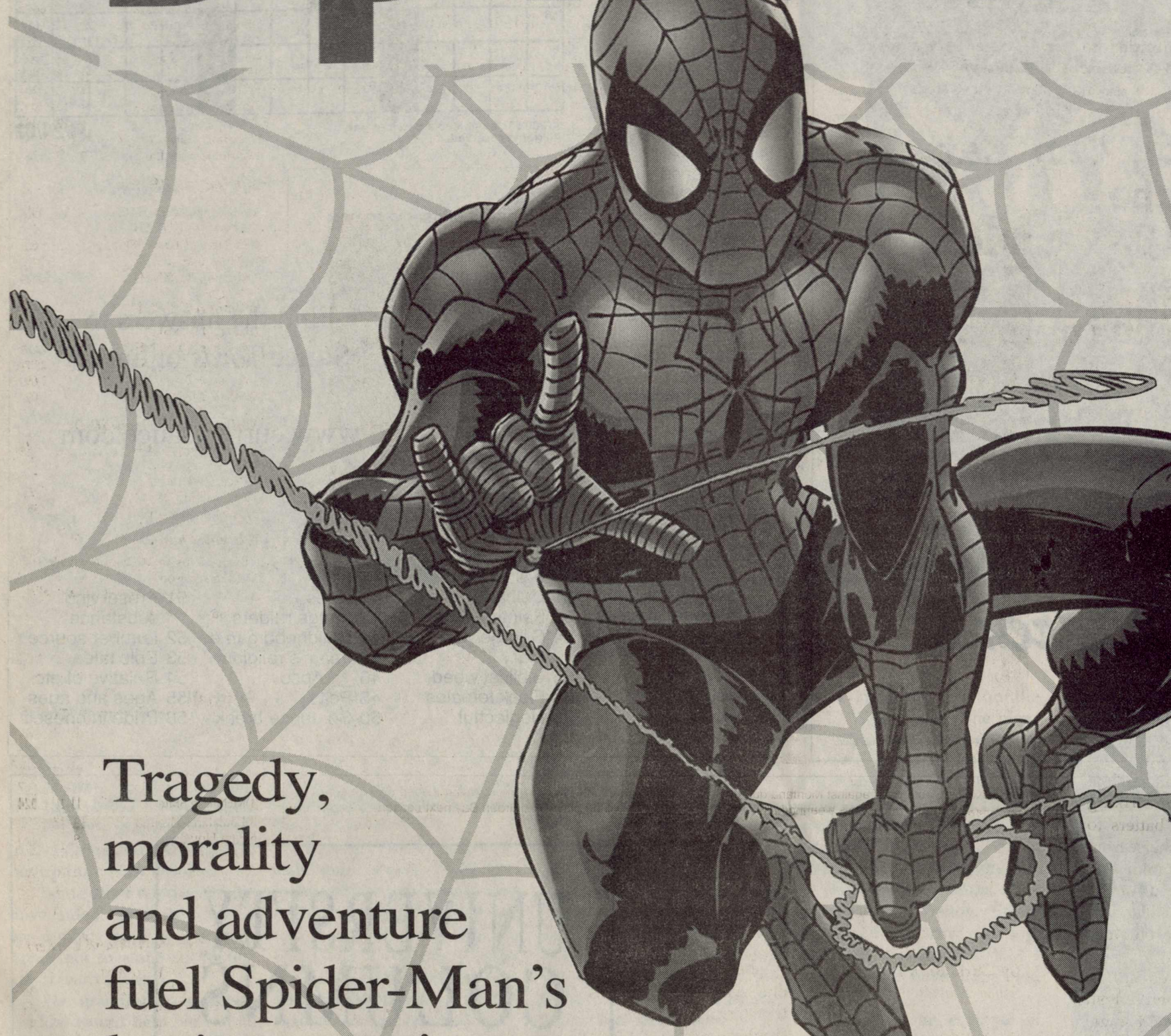
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along came a spider



Tragedy, morality and adventure fuel Spider-Man's lasting mystique

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BY ERIC GOODWIN
Knight Ridder/Tribune Information Services

Spider-Man, Spider-Man
Does whatever a spider can
Spins a web, any size
Catches thieves, just like flies
*Look out! Here comes the Spider-Man!**

Don't let the colored long johns fool you — Spider-Man's anything but a typical superhero.

He isn't dashing, and he doesn't have bulging muscles. Superheroes live charmed lives; his life is anything but. He doesn't always get the girl or save the day.

But if there is anything absolute about Spider-Man, it's that he always tries. And therein lies the reason why so many people identify with him.

For 40 years, kids and adults alike have been thrilled by the adventures of Spider-Man and his alter ego, Peter Parker. The hero has been featured in numerous television shows since the 1960s. Spidey makes his big-screen debut in Columbia Pictures' live-action film about the wall-crawler, starring Tobey Maguire as Spider-Man, Kirsten Dunst as Mary Jane Watson and Willem Dafoe as the Green Goblin. No matter where you turn, it's impossible to escape the web of popularity surrounding Spider-Man.

Is he strong? Listen, Bud!
He's got radioactive blood.
Can he swing from a thread?
Take a look overhead.
Hey there, there goes the Spider-Man!

According to John Romita Jr., illustrator of Marvel Comics' "The Amazing Spider-Man," Spider-Man's mystique stems from the man under the mask.

"It's the story of the little guy doing well," Romita said. "(Peter Parker) is this bookworm from Queens, who despite getting superpowers, is still a nerd."

Before a bite from an irradiated spider gave him his powers, Peter was a shy, geeky high school student, infatuated by science and picked on by his classmates. His only refuge was in the love and support of his legal guardians, Aunt May and Uncle Ben.

Before gaining superpowers, Peter Parker was a bright, but shy, teenager often teased by his peers.

The bite changed Peter's life. He gained the strength, speed and agility of a spider, plus the ability to cling to almost any surface. Peter also gained a sixth sense (dubbed his "spider sense") that forewarns him of danger.

Although teased because of his studious nature, Peter's scientific interests came in handy. He used his knowledge to invent special web fluid and wrist-mounted web shooters.

But even Peter couldn't resist the opportunity to cash in on his new talents. His inclination wasn't to become a crime fighter, but a professional wrestler. But there was no way he could enter the ring as Peter Parker; his doting aunt and uncle would never allow it. Peter needed a new identity. Enter Spider-Man.

In the chill of night,
At the scene of the crime
Like a streak of light
He arrives just in time

Leaving a TV studio after a wrestling match, Peter encounters a robbery. Despite an elderly security guard's pleas for help, Peter doesn't offer assistance. The once teased teen figures no one's going to tell him what to do anymore. He's a star. Besides, it's not his duty to stop robbers.

At home, Peter discovers an intruder killed his uncle — the same robber he had let escape from the TV studio. Later as Spider-Man, Peter captures the robber.

Blaming himself for his uncle's death, Peter realizes that "with great power comes great responsibility."

This moral code, learned at such a heavy price, continues to define Spider-Man and make him an appealing figure. Peter doesn't fight crime because he wants to, but rather because he has to.

"The character never changes. The situations and everything else around him may change, but his character never does" Romita said.

Spider-Man, Spider-Man
Friendly neighborhood Spider-Man
Wealth and fame, he's ignored
Action is his reward

Being a superhero isn't all it's cracked up to be. "Despite having superpowers, (Spider-Man) remains Peter Parker and still has regular problems," said Joe Quesada, editor in chief of Marvel Comics.

For Peter, those problems include looking after his frail aunt and juggling jobs as a free-lance photographer and high school teacher. "He's a costumed everyman," Quesada said.

Unlike Batman, Spider-Man's alter ego doesn't come from a wealthy family. This superhero worries about how he's going to pay the rent. "Peter's living from check to check. … Could you imagine living in (New York) on a teacher's salary?" Romita said with a laugh.

And his personal life? It's hard to juggle a love life when you're an adventurer. Though he married the love of his life, the beautiful Mary Jane Watson, the danger Peter faces as Spider-Man puts a strain on the relationship.

In spite of all the good he does for the city, Spider-Man gets little respect. Many think he's as dangerous as the bad guys he fights. Newspapers slam the wall-crawler, branding him a vigilante and a menace to society.

Often, the worlds of Peter Parker and Spider-Man overlap. Quesada recalls one story when Spider-Man loses a fight with the villain Green Goblin because he's distracted worrying about how his alter ego will get Aunt May her heart medicine. And in another fight with the Green Goblin, Peter's first girlfriend, Gwen Stacy, is taken hostage and killed.

Talk about drama. "It's very Shakespearean," Quesada said.

Although his life is fraught with tragedy, Spider-Man continues to fight. Like most people, he's just trying to do the best he can with what he's been given, doing the right thing even if it comes at a high cost.

Which is exactly why Spider-Man's such a great hero.

To him, life is a great big bang-up
Wherever there's a hang-up
You'll find the Spider-Man!

* – LYRICS FROM THE THEME SONG OF THE 1967 "SPIDER-MAN" CARTOON SERIES



CAST OF CHARACTERS

Meet some of the important people in Spidey's life:

May Parker

■ **Relation to Peter:** Aunt.

■ **Profile:** Since an orphaned Peter came into her care as an infant, May has been overprotective of him. She constantly checks in on him, making sure he is eating correctly and taking care of himself — despite her own frailty and heart problems. May also believes Spider-Man is a public menace.



When Marvel Comics relaunched the Spider-Man titles in 2000, the May character was updated to be stronger and more independent.

Mary Jane Watson-Parker

■ **Relation to Peter:** Wife.

■ **Profile:** Peter and Mary Jane were set up by his Aunt May and her Aunt Anna. Although they didn't date immediately, the two began hanging out in the same circle of friends. Mary Jane was the outgoing one of the bunch, eventually pursuing a career in modeling and acting. Eventually, she and Peter began a romantic relationship and married. But his life as Spider-Man, coupled with her career in show business, was too much for the couple to take. Though they care for one another very much, the two are now separated.



Green Goblin

■ **Real name:** Norman Osborn

■ **Relation to Peter:** Norman is the father of Peter's best friend, Harry Osborn; the Green Goblin is Spider-Man's archenemy.

■ **Profile:** Norman is driven by an obsession with wealth and power. After ousting his business partner, he seized control of their company, Osborn Chemical. While sifting through his partner's notes, he came across a formula that could increase a person's strength and intelligence. Norman mixed the formula, but unbeknownst to him, was using the wrong chemicals. Although he gained the strength and intelligence he was after, the formula also drove him insane.



Using his company's resources, Norman decided to embark on a career of crime as the Green Goblin. Constantly thwarted by Spider-Man, Norman has made it his life mission to destroy the wall-crawler using whatever means necessary.

NEW YORK STATE OF MIND

While Superman and Batman fight crime in the imaginary cities of Metropolis and Gotham City, respectively, Spider-Man plies his trade in real-life New York. The spirit of the city permeates the comic books and care is given to represent it as accurately as possible.

So, if any comic book was going to address the September 2001 terrorist attacks, it had to be Spider-Man.

The issue, "The Amazing Spider-Man" No. 36, featured a black cover. When first broached about the topic, writer J. Michael Straczynski was at a loss to describe the event's devastation, saying simply, "There are no words."



"The Amazing Spider-Man" No. 36

Yet, he managed to pen a story showing how the attacks made even a superhero like Spider-Man feel powerless.

Work on the issue began five days after the attacks. To draw the scene, illustrator John Romita Jr. surrounded himself with photos of Ground Zero and watched constant television coverage of the event for a month.

Although he describes the experience as anything but pleasant, Romita nonetheless stands by his work. "I've never been more proud of something I hated doing," he said.

WEB SITES

For more information on the wall-crawler, check out these Web sites:

■ **www.marvel.com:** The official Web site of Marvel Comics, featuring character information and online comic books.

■ **www.samruby.com:** A fan site with comic book reviews, polls and Spidey trivia.

■ **www.spiderman.sonypictures.com:** The official Web site of the "Spider-Man" film with movie trailers, behind-the-scenes videos and fan art.

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Softball sweep of Centenary give Demons momentum

By **Stacy Morgan**
Contributing writer

Crista Miller and Amanda Ortego each twirled two-hit shutouts for Northwestern State Wednesday night as the Demons, winners in 13 of their last 15 games, swept visiting Centenary 3-0 and 2-0 in college softball.

Northwestern (37-22) got 13 strikeouts by Ortego (13-11) in the second game and 9 from Miller (17-8) in the opener. The Demons stretched their winning streak to five games, with the only losses in the last 15 games a 4-3, 2-0 doubleheader defeat at the hands of No. 5-ranked LSU a week earlier.

Ortego struck out 14 Sam Houston hitters Saturday in her last outing, a 3-0 victory. Centenary (16-35) has been blanked in seven of its last eight games.

Senior first baseman Erin Mancuso extended her school career home run record with her ninth of the season and 37th all-time, a two-run blast in the sixth inning of the opener, when the Demons did all their scoring.

Nicole Martin doubled and scored on a single by Lindsay Leftwich for the game's first run. Mancuso followed with her homer.

In the nightcap, Northwestern did its scoring in the bottom of the third, with Krystle Nichols reaching on a single and scoring on a throwing error one hitter later. Shay Hunt, whose bunt single led to the throwing error, scored on an RBI bunt for a base hit by Leftwich.

Jordan Lansdale had both Centenary singles in the second game. Rachel Alcorn doubled for the Ladies in the seventh inning of the opener after a leadoff error, but Ortego stranded the runners in scoring position.

Northwestern, one game off the lead in the Southland Conference race, plays its final regular season SLC series this weekend at Louisiana-Monroe. Leading hitter Annie Johnston may be able to play for the first time since injuring a knee two weeks ago.

Sanches, Johnson pitch NSU to doubleheader sweep of Henderson State

By **Forrest Williams**
Contributing writer

Solid pitching and ample offense led the No. 29-ranked Northwestern State Demon baseball team to a doubleheader sweep, 6-3 and 5-3, of Henderson State Wednesday afternoon at Brown-Stroud Field.

Game 1
NSU 6 8 1
HSU 3 9 0

Game 2
NSU 5 6 0
HSU 3 5 1

Up Next
@ SELU, May 3

The Demons (35-9, 12-6 SLC) notched only 14 hits in the two contests but stayed in control throughout the afternoon due to pitching and stellar defense. Henderson (21-28, 9-10 GSC) scored late in both games to close within two and three runs but were unable to overcome NSU's pitching staff.

"Zach Sanches and Casey Johnson each gave us two good starts," said Demon head coach Mitch Gaspard. "Our defense continues to play well and we're closing in on the 40-win mark. We had a lot of guys play today and play well."

Sanches started the first game and pitched seven innings, allowing seven hits and one run while striking out three Henderson batters. Junior Josh Dencausse pitched the last two innings, allowing two hits and two runs while striking out one batter.

The Demons scored in the bottom of the first inning in the first game when second baseman David Quattrociocchi doubled to left center field and scored on Brad Hanson's single to left field to take a 1-0 lead. NSU added two more in the bottom of the third when leadoff batter Jeramie Hale doubled down the left field line and scored on Quattrociocchi's triple. Quattrociocchi then scored on Ed Linck's groundout to give NSU a 3-0 lead.

Henderson chipped into the lead when Bret David doubled to left center and scored on Michael Bragg's single to make the score 3-1. Northwestern responded in the bottom of the inning, scoring three runs to push the margin to 6-1.

After a single and hit batsman in the top of the eighth inning, HSU's Kyle Player singled to center field to score two runs and make the score 6-3. Dencausse then struck out the last batter of the inning to end the Reddies threat.

In the second game, junior Casey Johnson pitched five innings, allowing only one hit and one run while striking out three batters to improve to 8-1 on the season. Relievers Kelsey Tomyn and Gary Adair combined for the final two innings to allow only four hits and strike out four batters.

Henderson scored first in the contest when Josh Wilkinson hit an infield single and Scott Sherry walked to start the third inning. Wilkinson stole third and scored on a groundout to give HSU a 1-0 lead.

Northwestern stormed back in the bottom of the inning when an error allowed Quattrociocchi on and Hanson doubled to bring him in. Anatole Vincent then stepped to the plate and crushed his team-leading tenth home run of the season over the leftfield wall to give NSU a 3-1 lead.

The Demons added two more in the bottom of the fourth when Steven Adams doubled and scored Billy Ray Rutledge. A Quattrociocchi single scored Adams to give NSU a 5-1 lead. Henderson would add two in the top of the seventh off Adair but a strikeout and a groundout ended the game.

Quattrociocchi finished the day 3-for-5 with four runs scored, a double, a triple and two RBI.

The Demons have eight days off before traveling to Southeastern Louisiana for a three-game series beginning Friday, May 3.

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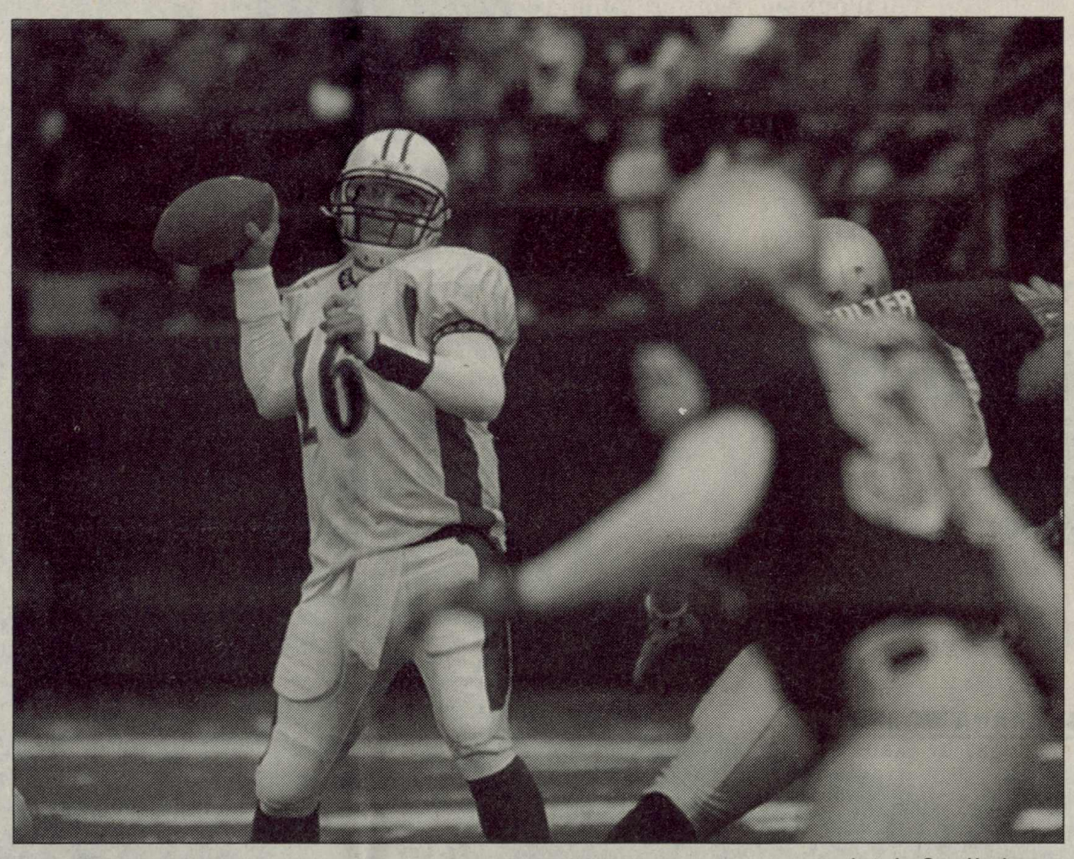


photo by Gary Hardamon
Craig Nall throws a pass against Montana during an icy playoff game in the frozen tundra. Nall will need the same sweaters and turtle necks he's wearing in this picture, because he will be playing in Green Bay next season

Green Bay Bound: NSU's Nall drafted by Green Bay Packers

By Chris Reil, Jr.
Sauce reporter

Sunday, April 21, 2002 will be a day that former NSU quarterback Craig nall will never forget.

While he was celebrating his 23rd birthday, Nall was drafted by the Green Bay Packers in the fifth round as the 164th overall pick.

Nall got a call at about 1 p.m. Sunday informing him he was going to be a packer.

"I have a chance to fulfill dreams I have had since pee-wee (football)," Nall said. "I really couldn't feel any more relieved or excited about it."

Nall, who only played one season at NSU after transferring from LSU, set a single-season passing record with 2,022 yards to go along with 11 touchdowns and only three interceptions.

Nall was the 2001 Southland Conference Newcomer of the Year and an all-conference selection who was voted captain offensive MVP by teammates.

Nall will probably have to wait before actually seeing some playing time in Green Bay, with Brett Farve still being the starter. However, when asked about the opportunity to learn and watch a future Hall of Famer, Nall summed it up in one word:

"Awesome."

"I don't think I could be in a better situation," Nall said. "(Farve) has been there and done that, winning multiple MVP awards and a Super Bowl ring. It is a great honor.

Nall said that preparing for the draft did not come without changes in himself and his lifestyle.

"I did a lot of throwing and took up better eating habits," Nall said. "I was basically just trying to live right and trying to act like a professional."

Nall reports to the Packer's mini-camp, which begins today.

Southland's three QBs drafted tops list

By Rondray Hill
Editor

Hardly an NFL draft passes without some representation from the Southland Conference.

This year isn't any different. A total of five players from SLC-member institutions were drafted by NFL teams.

The anomaly of this stat is that this year, more quarterbacks came from Southland Conference schools than from any other conference.

Wes Pate from SFA, Craig Nall from NSU, and Josh McCown from Sam Houston account for the three QBs selected this year from the SLC. Only Brett Farve and former Conference USA had as many QBs drafted.

QBs drafted from the Southland conference this year

Josh McCown-- Arizona
Craig Nall-- Green Bay
Wes Pate-- Baltimore

"I think its interesting that all three of these guys are good picks," said Jeff Matthews, sports writer for both NSU and Southland conference sports. "I think Nall and McCown have the best shot at succeeding at the next level, but all three of these guys are really good players."

Nall, who goes into Packers' mini camp as the No. 3 QB, will start behind Oklahoma standout Josh Heupel. Matthews said that Nall may have an edge against Heupul in terms of mechanics and intangibles.

"I think that Nall is going into a really good situation in Green Bay," Matthews said. "Heupel was a very good college quarterback, but Nall has the better arm."

Sauce Stats

Baseball

Standings	W	L	%
1)Northwestern State	**12**	**6**	**.667**
2)Louisiana-Monroe	12	6	.667
3)McNeese State	11	7	.611
4)Southwest Texas	10	8	.556
5)Lamar	10	8	.556
6)Texas-Arlington	9	8	.529
7)Texas-San Antonio	9	9	.500
8)Sam Houston	6	12	.333
9)Nicholls State	5	12	.294
10)Southeastern La.	5	13	.278

Batting Avg. (SLC)

1)Schramek, Mark, UTSA	.443
2)Gentry, Phil, UTSA	.413
3)Hickman, Chuck, NICH	.402
4)Prince, Ran, MCN	.392
5)Hanson, Brad NSU	**.383**

Individual E.R.A

1)King, O.J., NSU	**1.31**
2)Sanches, Zach, NSU	**2.20**
3)Johnson, Casey, NSU	**2.77**
4)Hensley, Clay, LU	2.89
5)Snapp, Michael, UTA	3.02

Stolen Bases (Team SLC)

1)Northwestern State	**83**
2)McNeese State	76
3)Nicholls State	73
4)Texas-Arlington	68
5)Texas-San Antonio	55

Did you know...

...the Demons are 20-2 at Brown-Stroud Field this season?
...Catcher Anatole Vincent was a finalist in a Young Author's contest?

Softball

Standings	W	L	%
1)Southwest Texas	20	4	.833
2)Northwestern State	**19**	**5**	**.792**
3)Texas-San Antonio	16	8	.667
4)McNeese State	11	10	.524
5)Louisiana-Monroe	12	12	.500
6)Sam Houston	9	12	.429
7)Southeastern La.	10	14	.417
8)Texas-Arlington	9	14	.391
9)Nicholls State	7	17	.292
10)SFA	3	20	.130

Home Runs (Southland Career)

1)Moreaux, Heather, MCN	36
2)McElyea, Michelle, UTSA	36
3)Mancuso, Erin, NSU	**36**
4)Michalsky, Amanda, UTSA	33

Batting Avg. (SLC)

1)Johnston,Annie, NSU	**.444**
2)Goodman, Casey, ULM	.374
3)McAvoy, Amber, SHSU	.366
4)Zaleski, Kristen, SWT	.362
5)Martin, Nicole, NSU	**.360**

E.R.A (SLC)

1)Neuerburg, Nicole, SWT	1.21
2)Miller, Crista, NSU	**1.27**
3)Ortego, Amanda, NSU	**1.50**
4)Woodmansee, Monique, SLU	1.65
5)Whitley, Paige, UTSA	1.70

Did you know...

...Demon opponents are batting .287 against the Demon pitching staff this season?
...Kiana Scott's middle name is "Ebonee."

Football

2002 Demon football Schedule

8/31	**Delta State**	**6 p.m.**
9/7	**Southern @Shreveport**	**6 p.m.**
9/14	Delaware St.	Noon
9/21	Georgia	Noon
9/28	Open	
10/5	**Elon**	**2 p.m.**
10/12	**SW Texas**	**6 p.m.**
10/19	**SW Oklahoma**	**3 p.m.**
10/26	Nicholls	3:30
11/2	**Sam Houston**	**2 p.m.**
11/9	J'Ville St.	4 p.m.
11/16	**McNeese**	**2 p.m.**
11/23	SFA	4 p.m.

Quarterbacks Drafted (by conference)

1) Southland (3)
2) C-USA (3)
3) Big 10 (2)
4) PAC 10(2)
5) WAC (1)
6) ACC (1)



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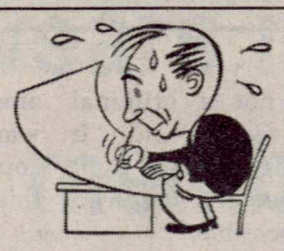
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Sports

The NSU Demon baseball team is ranked third in the nation in pitching average.

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Demon pitcher, O.J. King

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Argus editor denied second term

By Garrett Guillotte
News Editor

Argus editor-in-chief Shane Erath, despite his recommendation by the NSU Media Board, was denied a second year in the position by the Student Government Association Monday.

Accusing him of missing too many deadlines, the senators present at the evening meeting voted almost unanimously to reject Erath, the only applicant recognized by the board to edit NSU's annual literary magazine.

The SGA constitution ratified by students last spring requires the board to reconsider a refused recommendation. However, with the SGA's refusal of Erath coming at the last SGA senate business meeting and so close to the end of the semester, another board meeting before the end of the spring seems unlikely.

Jerry Pierce, the Media Board's chairman and University vice president of external affairs, said it was too early to determine exactly what action the board would take.

"All we can do is meet again and take into consideration the SGA's decision," Pierce said, adding that he guesses the board would most likely meet this fall to reexamine candidates for the office.

Erath, who was not present at the SGA meeting, learned of his failed appointment when asked about it on Wednesday by *The Current Sauce.*

"I didn't know about it," Erath said. "Nobody notified me about it."

Argus adviser Helane Razovsky said she also never heard from the SGA concerning their decision.

"Because we have no idea why the SGA refused him, we don't know what to do about it," she said. "I do wish they had called people in to answer questions."

Still, Razovsky said this year's Erath-edited *Argus,* the first to include a compact disc of student music recordings, is on schedule for a late spring and summer distribution, and that a fall selection of an editor would not hinder next year's publication.

"*Argus* is at the printer and the CD is in production," she said.

Sauce Briefs

Administration

Webb passes evaluation as University president

By Callie Reames
Sauce Reporter

The University of Louisiana System Board of Supervisors found NSU President Randall J. Webb to be a man with integrity, honesty, diligence, sensitivity and enthusiasm after a formal evaluation conducted by a fellow president.

Edward Penson, president and senior principal of Penson-Strawbridge, The Research and Consultation Firm, as well as president emeritus of the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh, spent two days on Northwestern's campus earlier this year to evaluate Webb's progress.

In Webb's six years at NSU, a report from the board noted progress at the university as well as room for improvement.

Campus

Second phase of new building signs premiers

By Amy Walmsley
Sauce Reporter

Northwestern students are seeing signs all over campus.

The new signs that are popping up all over campus are part of the university's attempt, not only to beautify the campus but also to help incoming freshmen.

The new signs come with a 10-year guarantee and the signs are made of a very durable material known as High Density Polyethylene, Signs and Banners owner Gary Holloway said. While the guarantee doesn't include fading or vandal, Holloway did say that spray paint washes right off the signs and the signs are very durable.

The signs are being updated in phases. The second phase contained approximately 15 new signs. More signs are going to be replaced in the third phase as soon the funds become available.

Aviation

Second phase of new building signs premiers

By Alisa Raggio
Sauce Reporter

NSU's Aviation Science Flight Team will be competing in the National Flight Team Competition at Ohio State University May 14 -18.

The pilots will be judged on how well they operate their planes. NSU's team will compete with two of its own planes.

Northwestern's team is the only one from Louisiana to be invited to compete this year. They will compete against 29 other schools from across the country.

The team placed 22nd at last year's event.

Spring graduation ceremonies near

By Dominique Irvin
Sauce Reporter

Years of hard work will come to an end when the spring class of 2002 graduates on May 10.

Two ceremonies will be held due to the increasing number of graduates. News Bureau director David West said last spring was the first time that two graduations were held.

"We couldn't accommodate all the family and friends that wanted to attend the ceremony," West said.

In the fall of 2000, NSU tried unsuccessfully to use a ticket system but that idea did not solve the problem and the two-ceremony plan was implemented.

"This way as many family and friends of the graduates that want to come, can come and have a place to sit," West said.

The first ceremony will be at 10 a.m. for the colleges of education, nursing, and liberal arts, and the graduate school. The second ceremony will be held at 3 p.m. for the colleges of business, science and technology, the University College and the Scholars' College. Both ceremonies will be held in Prather Coliseum.

The class of 2002 is not the only class to be celebrated on this day. At the 3 p.m. ceremony, graduates from the class of 1952 will have their second degree ceremony to honor the 50th year of their degree.

Also, John C. Guillet, a former university photographer and 1949 NSU graduate, will receive an honorary doctorate in Humane Letters. Guillet has had a very successful career in photography and will donate more than 1 million photo negatives to the archives of NSU.

James K. Elrod will be the guest speaker for both ceremonies. Elrod is the chief executive officer of Willis-Knighton Health System. He has helped Willis-Knighton grow into a health network of 10 hospitals and many other health services in northwest Louisiana.

FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE
Spring 2002

Friday, May 3:	All sections of:
5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	**CHEM** 1030, 1040, 1070, 1080
Saturday, May 4:	Arrange with instructors
Monday, May 6:	All sections of:
8:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.	**ENGL** 0910, 0920, 1010, 1020
	SCTT 1810-20, 2810-20
	SCTT 3810, 4810-20
11:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.	10:00 **MWF** and **MW** classes
2:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.	12:00 **MWF** and **MW** classes
5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	4:00 **MWF** and **MW** classes
	Monday night classes
Tuesday, May 7:	
8:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.	8:00 **TR** classes
11:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.	11:00 **TR** classes
2:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.	All sections of:
	MATH 0910, 0920, 1020, 1060
5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	3:30 **TR** classes
	Tuesday night classes
Wednesday, May 8:	
8:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.	9:00 **MWF** and **MW** classes
11:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.	11:00 **MWF** and **MW** classes
2:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.	1:00 **MWF** and **MW** classes
5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	3:00 **MWF** and **MW** classes
	Wednesday night classes
Thursday, May 9:	
8:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.	9:30 **TR** classes
11:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.	12:30 **TR** classes
2:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.	2:00 **TR** classes
5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	Thursday night classes
Friday, May 10:	
8:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.	8:00 **MWF** and **MW** classes
11:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.	2:00 **MWF** and **MW** classes

BORROWING OR STEALING?

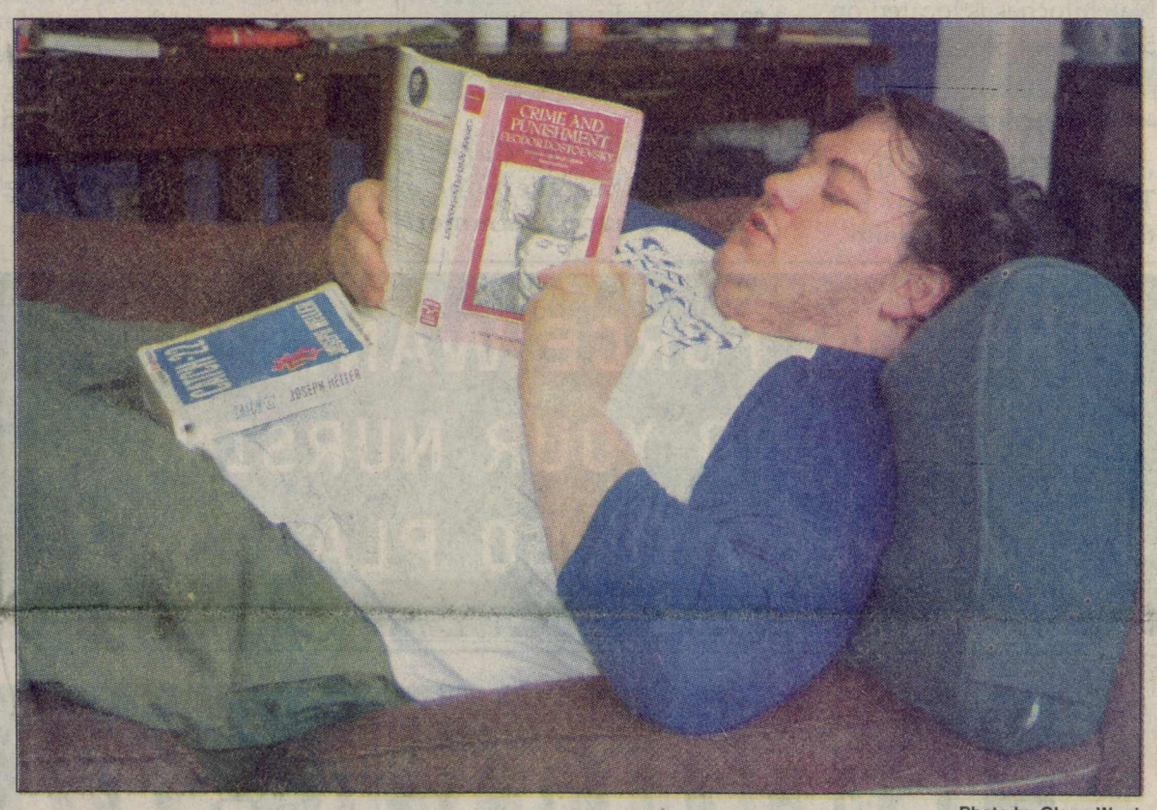


Photo by Glenn Ward

Former Caspari A.C. Beau Boudreaux catches up on some relevant reading material - Dostoevsky's Crime and Punishment and Joseph Heller's Catch 22 - as he reclines on the couch he allegedly stole from his dorm.

Curse of the Campus Couch

By Glenn Ward
Sauce Reporter

The area coordinator of East Caspari Hall lost his job after he was arrested and charged with felony theft over $500 for moving a dormitory couch off campus.

Beau Boudreaux, who has worked as A.C. for five semesters, was arrested on April 19 and released the same day on his own recognizance.

"I thought that it was property that was leased to me and as long as I took good care of it, that it wouldn't matter what happened between point A and B," Boudreaux said.

The Residence Hall and Board Agreement, a form every dorm resident fills out each semester, states that "No university property, including room and lobby furnishings may be moved within the building or removed from the residence hall."

The couch was found at 936 College Ave. after an anonymous R.A. informed University Police of its whereabouts. Boudreaux said the couch had been at another location since October, but it was moved to 936 College Ave. in April for a drinking game.

Jeremy Henriques, a participant in the game, said he believes that Boudreaux was unjustly labeled as a criminal.

"Since the recent Sabine break-ins, the administration and University Police have been looking for a scapegoat to pigeonhole with the blame," Henriques said. "Boudreaux just happened to be the guy they chose."

University Detective Doug Prescott disregarded accusations of scapegoating Boudreaux.

"The two incidents are not related," Prescott said.

"Beau is a good person and, regardless of my having filed criminal charges against him, I still have the utmost respect for him. He made a mistake, and there is not a human being alive that has not made a mistake. I will bend over backwards and do anything I can to help and support him...but I also have to do my job."

Jennifer Rhea, a tenant of 936 College Ave., said Boudreaux was not stealing a couch.

"The purpose of that couch was to serve Beau's needs while he was working in the dorms," Rhea said.

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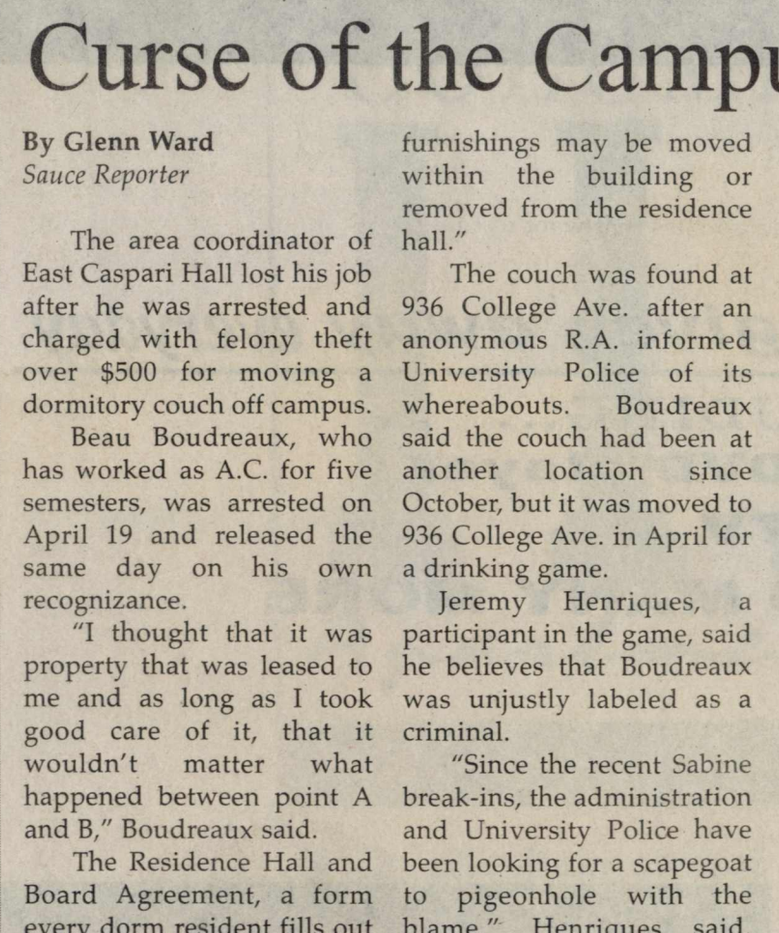


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Shreveport Times' Pea, Carter visit Northwestern

Times' staff Donecia Pea (far left) and Monica Carter speak to students about reporting education issues at the fourth Newsmakers and Shakers series Monday afternoon.

See *Shreveport journalists speak to students* **page 2.**

Campus Connections

Library books due

Attention all University students. NSU Libraries will convert to a new library system called Link beginning this summer. Due to this changeover, all circulating material must be turned in no later than tomorrow. Students who will need to keep books beyond this date should contact Yolanda Bobb at 357-4477.

Job Opportunities

The **Counseling and Career Center** has received correspondence of interviews from Cargill, Inc., production supervisor. Industrial Engineering majors are preferred. For more information students can stop by the CCS office in Room 305 of the Student Union.

First Baptist Church

The **First Baptist Church** of Natchitoches will have a free lunch and Bible study every Sunday following their 11 a.m. service. The First Baptist Church of Natchitoches is located on 508 Second St.

Catholic Student Organization

The **CSO** will have a theology study and faith sharing Sunday nights at 8, followed by the 9:30 Mass. Bible Study is every Tuesday night at 8, and Fellowship is every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m., followed by a free meal. Everyone is welcome. For more info, contact Amy Dowden at 352-2615.

Baptist Collegiate Ministry

The **BCM** will have Wednesday night worship across the street from Watson Library every week. The worship begins at 8:31. All students are welcome to attend. The BCM also has a $1 lunch encounter on Thursdays from 11:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. For more information call the BCM at 352-5464.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes

FCA will be having its weekly fellowship every Tuesday night. The meetings are held in the athletic field house on the south end of Turpin Stadium at 8. There will be a devotional speaker each week. Everyone is welcome.

The staff of *The Current Sauce* wishes everyone a safe and happy summer!

Couch arrest

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"And in order to better serve Beau's needs, that couch needed to be brought over here...I don't believe there was any malice or ill will intended."

"Beau is an Eagle Scout, and that in and of itself I don't propose equals integrity," Rhea added. "But Beau lives it. He's a moral absolutist who lives by his convictions and one of those convictions is that 'stealing is bad'."

Boudreaux's case will go to the district attorney's office for legal processing, and to Director of Student Services Francis Conine for potential disciplinary procedures.

Conine said she addresses each disciplinary matter on a case-by-case basis.

"I also try to be consistent," Conine said. "However, each case is different."

"The NSU code of conduct is not a criminal proceeding," Conine said. "It is about trying to do the right thing for everyone involved when at all possible."

Boudreaux said he wished the university would reconsider firing him for the incident.

"I've been an R.A. for two-and-a-half years, with housing for three years," Boudreaux said. "I've had a master key to hundreds of rooms with invaluable amount of material and if I wanted to steal anything I could have ...But I'm not a thief."

Caspari resident Michael Grantham expressed support for Boudreaux and hope that he will remain in Caspari.

"Not only was Boudreaux a good R.A., he was a good friend, too," Grantham said. "Any time you had problems with school or relationships or whatever, his door was always open."

Shreveport journalists speak to students

By Delvin Sims
Sauce Reporter

Covering education issues can be both difficult and amusing, warned the feature editor of the *Shreveport Times* in a speech at an open forum Monday.

Monica Carter, as well as *Times* education reporter Donecia Pea, spoke to an audience of about 30 students and professors at the fourth News-makers and Shakers series.

Covering education can be amusing when dealing with child activities like art shows and field trips, Carter said. But sometimes gathering information for deeper issues can get difficult.

"Any time that you are dealing with governmental entities, it can be challenging," Carter said.

Carter said another good thing about being in the education field is that they try to become more involved in the poverty issues that plague this state.

In investigating the T.O.P.S. tuition program issue, Carter said that it is a good thing but questioned the results that it should produce.

"If you're not in school to learn since you have this free ride, then why are you there?" Carter asked.

Another problem with covering education Carter discussed is that a reporter can't make everybody happy and advised students to check the information in their stories.

"As long as you're fair and as long as you're accurate, then you're probably doing an okay job," Carter said.

Also, Carter said writers should make sure to target the people affected by the story because that's what can make a difference.

"I think the reason for getting into journalism is to make a difference," Carter said.

Pea discussed the things that she had to accept working for a daily newspaper.

"I was unsure of what it was that I specifically wanted to do but I knew that I wanted to be in communications," Pea said.

"One of the first things that I have learned is that to be a reporter in the real world at a daily newspaper you learn that journalism is work," Pea said. "You must be persistent, get the facts, and be ready to expect the unexpected."

Pea also mentioned some of the persecutions a journalist must encounter.

"It sometimes cuts a little when people don't like you because of something that you wrote," Pea said. "Sometimes covering a story thoroughly means that you have to expose truths that people are not just ready to see."

"You have to make sure that everything you have written is a fact and is properly attributed," Pea said. "In all cases I have to make sure that my facts are straight and correct through thorough research and plenty of double-checking for errors."

As she wrapped up her speech, Pea assured all Northwestern State University journalists when she said, "These are just a few things that I'm working on, but when I figure our all there is to journalism, I'll be sure to come back and let you know."

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SGA swears in officers, awards members; banquet ends in tension

By Drew David
Sauce Reporter

Garden salad, green beans, meat pies and a large side of power struggle were served up at the SGA end of the year banquet this Monday.

The SGA started the evening by handing out awards for its most exemplary senators. Torrey Washington received the New Senator of the Year Award and was praised for his commitment to student government during his first term. Commissioner of the Year went to Stacie Cosby, who was commended for her efforts involving the academic affairs committee.

Former speaker of the senate and presidential candidate Dustin Floyd received the senator of the year award. SGA President Rusty Broussard praised Floyd for always keeping in mind the will of the senate and interest of the students in mind and said he was eternally grateful for Floyd's service.

Also honored at the banquet were Broussard, ex-treasurer Frank Toro and Sarah Griffith, who each received a senior senator award in gratification for their service to the students and to the SGA during their individual terms.

Senator Scott Manguno received the Vanessa Byrd Award, given to the senator most appreciated by the executive branch.

After the awards were handed out, it was time to complete the changing of the guard. University President Randall Webb presided over the swearing in of newly-elected president Stacie Cosby. Webb spoke of the importance of SGA and the significance of Cosby's position to the entire student body. Cosby then made her acceptance speech, as did Matthews. Both thanked the student body and reaffirmed their commitments to the SGA and the student body. Cosby then swore in Matthews and her vice-president Jennifer Jensen, as well the other newly elected senators.

The first issue of business discussed at the meeting was the approval of the NSU Media Board's recommendations to the administrative position at *The Current Sauce*, *Argus*, the *Potpourri* and KNWD. All positions were filled except *Argus*, with editorship of *The Current Sauce* going to Kaleb Breaux, editorship of the *Potpourri* going to Josh Green, and the position of general manager of KNWD going to Julie Pitts.

The next order of business was the appointment of the Student Technology Advisory Team, which saw Comeaux and Manguno filling the appointments.

The evening wound to a close amidst applause and restlessness until Manguno brought to the floor a piece of legislation concerning alleged harassment issues outside of Iberville Dining Hall.

Bill #SP02-32 sought to allow the purchase of picnic tables to be arranged in an area that would allow social gatherings outside of Iberville to not interfere with residents simply looking to dine at the location. However, Broussard tabled the bill once again, saying that since it had been tabled under his administration it could it could not reintroduced under the Cosby administration.

After the banquet, Broussard further articulated his reasons for ending squelching the debate.

"The bill didn't hit the floor during our last official business meeting," Broussard said. "And a banquet, our outgoing banquet, is not a place to conduct business of that nature and debate a bill in front of the president of the university, his wife and other guests that we have here."

The argument of social graces was not enough to satisfy Cosby.

"I think it's ridiculous...It's my meeting now," Cosby said. "Basically this carried over into my administration and so I deemed it emergency status so that it could be addressed before the fall semester."

"We really think this is a good idea something that people had really been pushing for," Cosby said. "...People were told to be quiet before they even knew what was going on."

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University receives eight new cars for admissions, police

By Alisa Raggio
Sauce Reporter

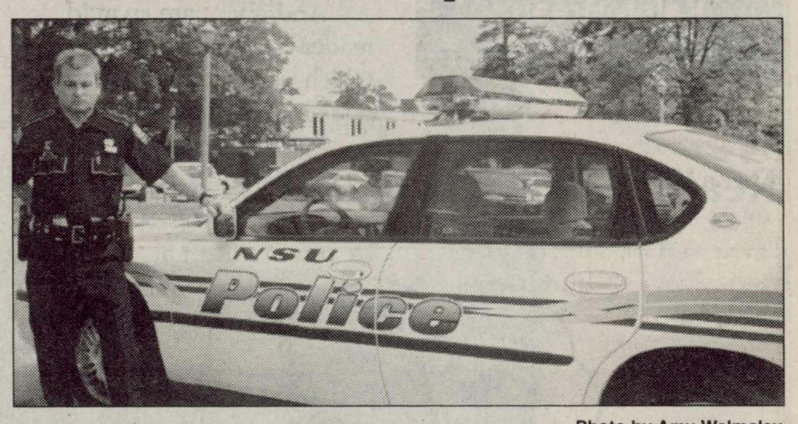


Photo by Amy Walmsley
University police officer Kerry Anderson stands next to one of NSU's five new Chevrolet Impala police cruisers. The new cruisers, as well as three new cars for the admissions department, cost the University $123,700.

Northwestern State University added eight new cars to its motor pool last month.

The cars arrived on campus in March at an estimated cost of $123,700. The admissions office received five Chevrolet Malibus, and three Chevrolet Impalas were sent to the police department.

The total for the admissions department's Malibus is about $70,000.

"The cars will be used for anything that requires road travel for admissions," University police office coordinator Donna Anderson said.

Anderson also said the admissions office has a plan to update the number of cars.

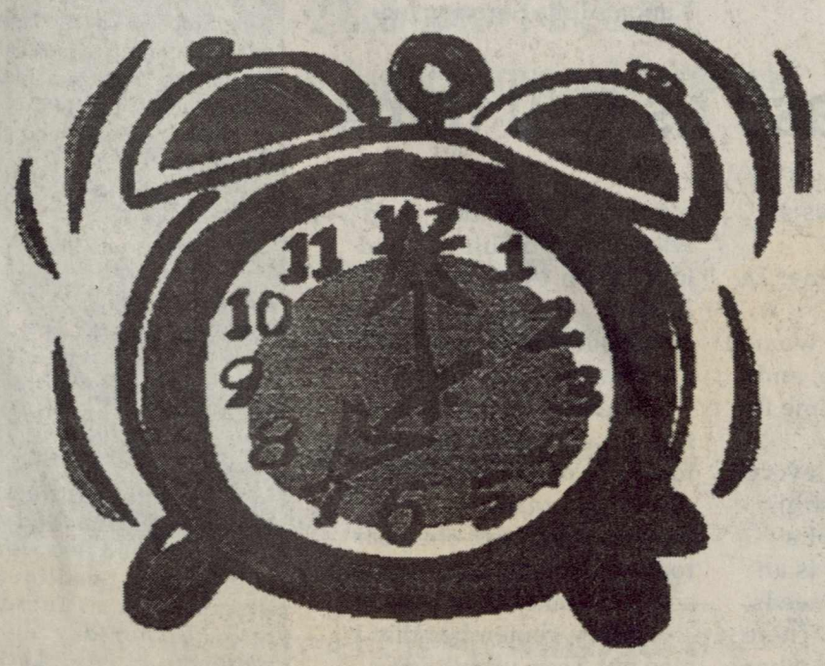
"We are trying to get at least one a year to replace the ones we have," she said.

The Impalas given to the police department came to a total of $53,700. There are no current plans to get more police cars in the near future, and the police department will continue using the older Ford-model cars.

University Police Chief Ricky Williams said he likes the new cars better than the old ones. The last cars the university received were Fords equipped with V-8 engines. The Impalas are built with V-6 engines, which run cooler and get better gas mileage.

"The cooler the car runs, the longer it will last," Williams said. He said the university was looking for cars that would last the longest while doing their job.

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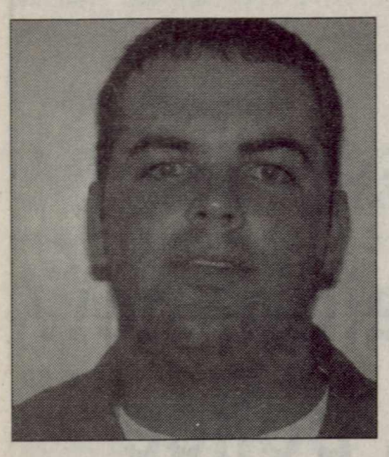
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This Is Just To Say

Under new management; outlook for 2002-2003 *Current Sauce*



Kaleb Breaux
Editor

Finals are here, and if you are anything like me your life is probably in some sort of caffeine-induced state. Things are most likely changing around you as well. Your eating habits have probably taken a turn for the worst, and you almost certainly have not had a normal bowel movement since you went home for spring break. There is probably an ulcer eating away...well, I think you get the idea.

And if you are an avid reader of The Current Sauce, which we all know that most of you are, you may be seeing some changes within our organization.

The Current Sauce is under new management.

I will be serving as the new editor-in-chief for the next school year. I have many plans for the paper in the upcoming year, and I thought that I would share some of my ideas with you, since you do pay for our publication.

First, let me start with the 2002-2003 Current Sauce staff. I know that some of you think that my staff is not worthy enough clean your toilet, but I believe I have one of the hardest working staffs that this paper has ever seen. Garrett Guillotte and Rob Morgan, the managing editor and sports editor respectively, are two of the most diligent students on this campus. Kristin Dauzat, life editor, has been with us only for one year, but she has many fresh ideas for the life section. And the writers, the misquoting bunch that they were, are yearning to get better every week. These qualities make for a really outstanding staff.

Also, we are hoping to localize the paper. However, we need your help. It is difficult to be the voice of the students if we get no response from the student body. Even if your voice comes with some criticism, I, as well as the staff, am willing to listen. Granted, we might not cover your organizational banquet or even write the fluff piece about how great it is to be a member of Organization X, but we will do our best serve you. My door is always open.

Finally, as cliché as this may sound, I would like to thank several people for giving the opportunity to hold this position. I would like to thank the three editors before me: Shaun Hornsby, Josh Beavers and Rondray Hill. They have done an excellent job training me. I would like to think the media board for the recommendation and the student senate for voting me in as editor-in-chief. You guys could have easily said, "Disapprove!" If ever you have any criticism or would just like to talk, I encourage you to do so.

Finally, I would like to thank my advisor, Neil Ralston, and my mentor, Paula Furr, for assisting me in the past and upcoming years. I am really looking forward to working with all of you.

Reality*Checks* by Andrew David



DECISIONS, DECISIONS...

Research Day more than a reason for students to miss class



Tiffany Trichell
Sauce Columnist

On April 10, I attended the 15th Annual Research Day. It was a very informative and enjoyable experience that I would recommend to anyone.

It began at eight in the morning and ran all day long. There were many different speakers that students could choose to listen to. I enjoyed the presentation given by the members of Psi Chi honors society.

During this lecture, students were shown harmful effects of the drug ecstacy. The four women giving the presentation, Lauren Pasqua, Natasha James, Kimberly Lachney and Megan Ivey, were all informative.

They presented different aspects and even brought up a recent article published by The Current Sauce about the drug ecstacy.

I commend these women on their work, appearance, and professional outlook during the presentation.

The next topic I listened to was the ethical quandaries in The Tragedy of Frankenstein given by Mr. Burrell.

I attended this discussion solely for curiosity's sake and left with a new appreciation for the play Frankenstein. It was not a long lecture but was still very informative.

In it I learned many different ways to approach the characters in this play and how even during the time that this was written the possibilities of the human mind were becoming real.

Research Day was a very enjoyable event that should be shared by all students. It is a day full of information that is completely free to the student population.

Next year, go out and listen to a speech or two during Research Day. There is no telling what you may learn.

Letter to the Editor

Local sorority member displays concern about slanted news story

Dear Ms. Callie Reames:

I am a graduating senior, majoring in Early Childhood Education. As a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., I am compelled to comment on your article regarding our block party.

It seems as if you were quiet desperate in an attempt to meet your "weekly article quota," because the occurrences at our block party were hardly deemed worthy of a front-page appearance. Please let me inform you of the negativity and shame your despondent efforts brought upon our organization.

Why you feel that our party being shut down was of such great importance is beyond me. After all, the campus police have canceled events in the past, correct? And, events will continue to be cancelled, as the need to cancel them arises. Why bring pessimism to an organization, when the negative event is beyond the organization's control? Was it the football team's fault when Northwestern students tore the goal post down? Just as the football team was not to blame for those actions, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. is not to blame for the actions taken at our block party.

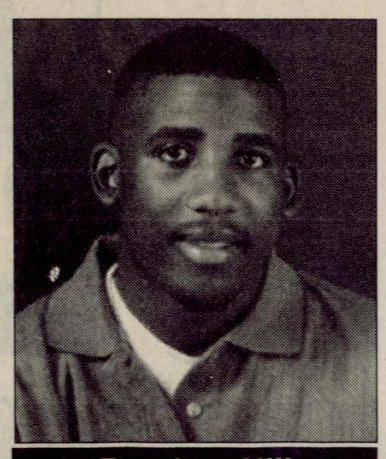
Why focus on the negative aspects of an event? Why did you not include in your article that our block party was one of the many scheduled events during our "Green with Envy" Undergraduate Week? I do not recall seeing anything in your article about our Sister to Sister Pow-wow, Healthfest, Sexual Assault Seminar, or our participation in the "Keep Natchitoches Beautiful" project. Maybe I just overlooked it. I probably overlooked your comments and statements on our weekly tutoring at Parks Elementary and our bi-weekly involvement in the Smart Girls and Big Sister/Little Sister programs at the Boys' & Girls' Club of Natchitoches, LA, as well.

Ms. Reames, I am highly offended by your narrow portrayal of my organization. The one-sided depictions in your article have now been spread across the state of Louisiana. Your comments have reached the *Southern Digest*, the campus newspaper at Southern University of Baton Rouge.

If you ever wish to write another article about Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., I would greatly appreciate if you would concentrate your attention on the positive aspects of the organization, rather than the negative occurrences that are beyond our control.

Sincerely,
Jamilah I. Davis
Active member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

Being editor not as easy as you think



Rondray Hill
Former Editor

A new episode of "The West Wing" came on last night.

I love "The West Wing." What's not to love about it? Great writing, great acting, great direction, everything is great.

I used to watch the show every week, Wednesday at 8 p.m. You can probably imagine how much I was relieved when, last night, I was able to watch the show for the first time in nearly one year.

You see, for the past 12 months, my Wednesday's-at-8 p.m. included late nights and pushing deadlines at the best collegiate newspaper in Louisiana, *The Current Sauce.*

Sleep eluded me, women stayed away from me, and administrators hated me for simply doing my job.

In short, I earned every penny of my scholarship.

Being the editor of a collegiate newspaper is an experience everyone needs, yet only few will get. There aren't very many jobs where people get a new reason to either hate or love you every Thursday afternoon. At least I can't think of any.

Considering all the lectures, complaints, praises and other messages I have received this year, it's amazing that I only really learned one thing-- news is hard.

This journalism stuff is hard work. It may seem easy on the surface-- cover an event, write a story, blah blah blah. It's just not that simple, and I'm glad it's not.

News is a process, and it takes time.

Please understand that everything I did this year was in the pursuit of good journalism. Anyone can publish a paper, but it takes good journalists to make a good newspaper.

The question of "is this news?" was always at the forefront of any editorial descision I made. I'm not perfect. I only get one year to do this right, so if I made some mistakes, I apologize.

Lastly, remember that I was not *The Current Sauce.* Kaleb Breaux is not *The Current Sauce.* No newspaper is defined by its editor. *The Current Sauce* is the collective publication put together by the hard-working journalists of NSU. *The Current Sauce* is the collective energy of NSU's best student journalists trying to figure out "what is news?"It's my hope they never forget that question.

I have enjoyed this year. I'll miss it a lot. But my time is up. It's time for new journalists to take the helm.

Ooh, speaking of time, it's almost 9 p.m. Can't miss WWF Smackdown.

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Summer living

A look into on and off campus living in Natchitoches

By Callie Reames
Sauce Reporter

Some Northwestern State University students crave a summer of warmth and independence in the very town where they have gained their self-rule as well as an education.

Living in Natchitoches during the 90-degree summer months isn't exactly cheap or filled with lively events. There are no SAB functions, sports events or NSU 22 newscasts. There aren't horrible mid day traffic jams on the Kyser Avenue bridge, and parking problems on campus should be relatively non-existent.

Summer fun can be found, however, at the NSU Recreational Complex, a building that boasts access to an Olympic-sized swimming pool, tennis courts, and an 18-hole golf course.

There are advantages to living here throughout the summer, but are they worth the price of housing, food, gas and the slightly melancholy lack of energized pedestrians?

Summer students have the option of residing in Bossier Dormitory while enrolled in one of four summer sessions. Housing for each session is $176.51 for a shared room and $260.76 for a private room. The price for all sessions in a shared room is $660 and $975 for a private room.

"We have about 100 that live in the residence hall at any given time," Woody Blair, director of student housing said.

In addition to housing, there are three meal plans to choose from, with prices ranging from $150 to $648, and the Health Services fee is $17.50.

Living off campus is an entirely different beast. Finding a place to live is the first step and can be an arduous task. There are realtors listed in the Yellow Pages, and rental availabilities listed in *The Natchitoches Times*, the *Buy Finder*, the *Natchitoches Chief*, and the *Thrifty Nickel*.

Things to pay for, after finding a residence in Natchitoches, are gas bills, sewage and garbage services, water bills, electric bills, telephone and cable service. The monthly bills can run in the $100s, but it depends on the conservation levels of the renter.

Rent is the main cost. All deposits for electricity, water, telephone and gas aside (Which are usually more than $50 each), paying rent is one more expense on the independent living money taking tree.

Getting a job is of utmost importance unless a rich relative is feeling generous this summer. For students needing assistance in the job search, Job Location and Development Officer Evie Posey is available in the Counseling and Career Services office in 305 of the Student Union. She helps find off-campus jobs as well as jobs with Aramark, Barnes and Noble Bookstore in the Student Union, and the Folk Life Center on campus.

People can get on the Internet to find employment through the Louisiana Department of Labor at www.laworks.net said Barbara Leach, the workforce development supervisor at the Natchitoches Job Center. Leach said the website is beneficial and convenient because people can log on from anywhere and post their resumes or look through job listings.

Gas, groceries and other personal expenses are also on the list of costs this summer. According to *The Washington Post*, the U.S. Energy Department predicts that gasoline prices will continue to rise, perhaps to a summer-long average of $1.46 per gallon, although they will stay below last summer's average of $1.54

Loving summer living is the goal. Frugality and conservation can help lessen costs for Natchitoches living this summer so be wise if you are taking living into your own hands in the next few months.

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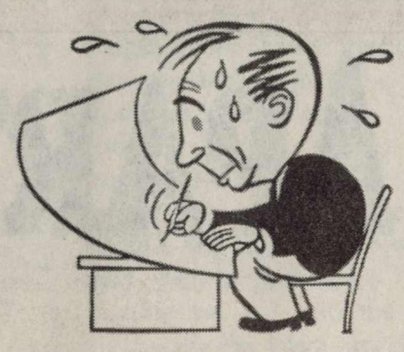
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Ways to relieve stress, just before...

Finals



By Kristen Dauzat
Life Editor

With finals only a few days away, students are stressed out over the examinations. Here are some tips to relieve some of your stress over the weekend, and throughout the next week...

1.) Smoothies: Smoothies are excellent treats, and are a wonderful way to cool off during the hot weather. Check out what's hiding in your refrigerator. Ice cream/milk, fruit, and ice thrown together in a blender, can easily create a refreshing treat.

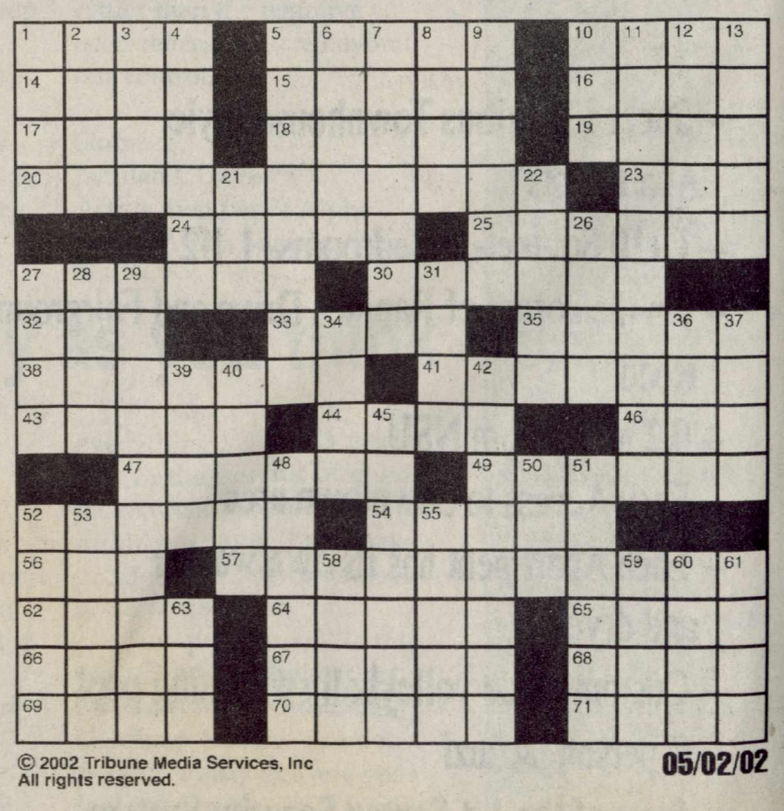
2.) Bubble bath: Relax, draw some water, and add a little tlc to your bath. Bubble bath, can be purchased at local drugstores and supermarkets, but shampoo can also double for the students that are financially burdened right now. Hop in and enjoy.

3.) Lake study: Grab a blanket, your smoothie, and study guide and sit by the lake one afternoon. The shady trees can create an aesthetic environment, and allow you to focus on your schoolwork.

4.) Feed the squirrels: There are plenty of squirrels running around on campus, and they are just waiting for you to grace them with your presence. Bring some squirrel friendly food, like dried corn or unsalted nuts, scatter it about around trees, and watch. The squirrel will be very thankful for your contribution.

5.) Relive your childhood: Get a slip and slide, a kiddie pool, or some water balloons. Invite over some of your best friends, and let your immaturity surface.

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1 Move quickly
5 Fishing basket
10 Leather punches
14 __ vera
15 Slowly, in music
16 Singer Diamond
17 Queue
18 Giant with 100 eyes
19 Run in neutral
20 Routes
23 Short sleep
24 Off. skill
25 Bug
27 Disquiet
30 Events with fixed outcomes
32 Actor McKellen
33 __ Nostra
35 Disappeared gradually
38 Contains in a box
41 Change a picture holder
43 "JFK" director Oliver
44 British pianist Myra
46 Yang's partner
47 Provo resident
49 Whitecaps
52 Where attachments are attached?
54 Wheat or oats
56 In the style of
57 Durkheim or Mannheim
62 Insects
64 Singer Tucker
65 Choral voice
66 Brainchild
67 Standing tall
68 Valley
69 Kennedy and Danson
70 View again
71 Salinger girl

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1 Spanish painter
2 Touched down
3 Bobby Brown hit
4 Itty-bitty
5 Darrow or Thomas
6 Played over
7 Captivate
8 Ornamental case
9 Blow a gasket
10 Singer DiFranco
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12 Pinkish purple
13 Took a nap
21 WWII arena
22 Sneezing powder
26 Train to box
27 Dessert pastries
28 Speak wildly
29 Inspired with hope
31 Jug lugs
34 Workplace watchdog grp.
36 Send out
37 Cub Scout units
39 Chip in chips
40 Benches
42 Intensify
45 Search or fire followers
48 Owl
50 __ Grande
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Requiem symphony begins tonight

By Dondra Lewis
Sauce Reporter

"Requiem," which has not been publicly performed at NSU since 1994 will make its second debut tonight at 7:30 p.m. at the Magale Recital Hall.

To start the symphony, the Northwestern Orchestra will play "Concerto for Bass Trombone and Orchestra" by Eric Ewazen. Featured for the piece will be soloist and graduate student James Meadors, a winner of the NSU Concerto Competition.

The second set performed will be "Berceuse and Finale" from the Firebird Suite by Igor Stravinsky.

Joining the orchestra for the "Requiem" performance is the NSU Concert Choir and Chamber Choir. The choir is under the direction of Burt Allen. Allen said that soloists for the performance would include Terrie Sanders, Micheal Rorex, Sarah Puryear, Aaron Savoie and Jordan Ricks.

Richard Rose, a professor at NSU, began composing "Requiem" in the fall of 1993 and finished it in 1994. The funeral mass was premiered on Feb.25, 1994 in an NSU recital hall.

Rose stated that requiem means grant external rest unto them oh God in Latin text. He composed the piece in memory of three of his close friends that passed away in 1993.

"We are expecting a large crowd," Allen Said. "It isn't often that you get to do a major work with the composer of the work."

Admission to the final concert for the 2001-2002 season is free for NSU students with a valid student identification and other admission is $10.

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Demons gear up for SLC softball tourney

By Jeremy Pace
Sauce Reporter

The Demon softball team ended their regular season with a three-game sweep of Louisiana-Monroe and their 14th consecutive Southland Conference win to finish with a 40-22 record (22-5 in SLC) and the No. 2 seed in the conference playoffs.

The second-seeded Demons start the post-season Friday at the Demon Diamond against fifth-seeded Southeastern Louisiana, whom they beat two games to one in their season series.

The SLU women enter the tournament with a 28-25 record overall (13-14 in SLC). SLU was in seventh place and out of the tournament but closed out the season strong with a three-game sweep over Stephen F. Austin.

"We're glad to be back in the tournament," SLU head coach Pete Langlois told the SLU Athletics webpage. "We needed to go on the road and get a sweep to make sure we got in, and we did the job. I'm proud of the way we played, and I'm looking forward to taking some momentum into the tournament."



Photo by Gary Hardamon

The Demon softball team gather at the plate to celebrate Lindsay Leftwich's (far right, wearing helmet) home run in a recent game.The Demons take on SLU at 11:30 a.m. Friday on the Demon Diamond.

Northwestern head coach Ty Singleton said the tournament was slated to take place at McNeese. When McNeese failed to have their new softball facility built in time, the tournament's location went up for grabs and, in the end, NSU won the bid to hold it at Demon Diamond.

"It's nice to be at home, to be able to sleep in your own bed and to have your fans in the stands," Singleton said.

Softball Sports Information Director Stacy Morgan also felt that having the tournament at NSU would be beneficial.

"Home field is always an advantage," Morgan said. "It means that there will be more people in the stands when it's time to play."

A strong approach seems to be the main focus for a Lady Demon team that won every regular season conference series they played.

"We've had a good approach through the whole season and when we've had that approach is when we've been successful," Singleton said.

Junior pitcher Amanda Ortego, who finished with a 14-11 record for the season, echoed her coach's comments.

"We want to take a strong approach into the tournament," Ortego said. "We beat Southeastern two out of the three games we played them. The one time we didn't beat them we had a bad approach.

"Whenever you're not aggressive is when you lose," Ortego said.

Ortego and sophomore Crista Miller are two of the possible starters for Friday's game.

Miller and Ortego finished with ERA's of 1.16 and 1.36 respectively at the end of the season.

Ortego said they usually do not find out until before warm-ups who will be starting the game, but the timing does not affect their preparation or concentration when preparing for the game.

Match-ups taking place in the first round of the double-elimination Southland Conference Tournament will be third-seeded Texas-San Antonio taking on fourth-seeded McNeese State at 9 a.m. Friday, and first-seeded Southwest Texas playing sixth-seeded Louisiana-Monroe at 2 p.m. Friday.

The Demons take on SLU at 11:30 a.m. Friday on the Demon Diamond.

Sauce Stats

Baseball

Standings	W	L	%
1)Northwestern State	12	6	.667
2)Lamar	13	6	.619
3)McNeese State	13	8	.619
4)Louisiana-Monroe	13	8	.619
5)Southwest Texas	11	10	.524
6)Texas-San Antonio	11	10	.524
7)Texas-Arlington	10	10	.500
8)Nicholls State	7	13	.350
9)Sam Houston	6	15	.286
10)Southeastern La.	5	13	.278

Batting Avg. (SLC)

1)Schramek, Mark, UTSA	.443
2)Hickman, Chuck, NICH	.400
3)Prince, Ran, MCN	.393
4)Hanson, Brad NSU	.388
5)Justice, Blake LU	.383

Individual E.R.A

1)King, O.J., NSU	1.31
2)Sanches, Zach, NSU	2.06
3)Hensley, Clay LU	2.52
4)Johnson, Casey, NSU	2.6
5)Floyd, Jesse LU	3.05

Stolen Bases (Team SLC)

1)Northwestern State	84
2)McNeese State	84
3)Nicholls State	79
4)Texas-Arlington	70
5)Texas-San Antonio	61

Batters Struck out (SLC)

1)Southwest Texas	347
2)McNeese State	330
3)Lamar	316
4)Southeastern La	304
5)Northwestern State	295

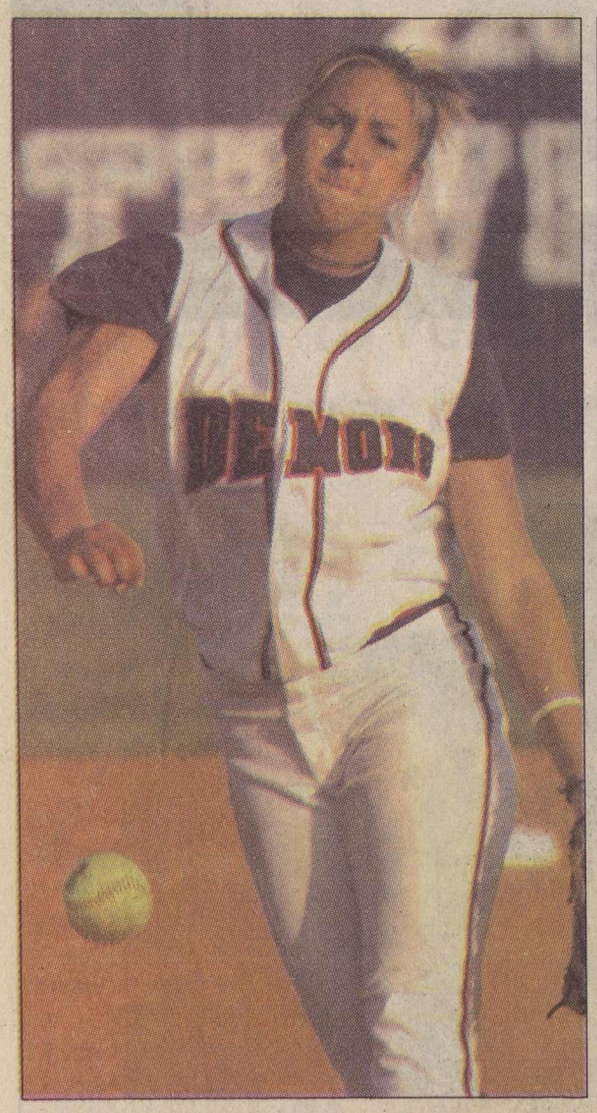


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Junior Amanda Ortego (above) and sophomore Crista Miller are two of the possible starters for Friday's game.

King of the SLC mound

By Janie Warren
Sauce Reporter

As the NSU Demon baseball team continues to be ranked nationally, it also sees positive effects for good athletic performance.

Northwestern (35-9, 12-6 SLC) currently ranks third in the nation in pitching average, ninth in overall winning percentage, and fourth in team defense.

Demon assistant pitching baseball coach John Paul Davis feels very confident about the outcome of the upcoming games.

"We've done so well this season and we just need to keep playing good defense, ensure timely hits, and continue playing successfully," Davis said.

To add to the Demon's successful season, senior pitcher O.J. King ranks third in the nation in earned run average with a 1.31 ERA. King holds a 7-0 record and is on the 2002 watch list to become the winner of the Rotary Smith Award, an award presented to the nation's top college baseball player every year.

"King has been very consistent and he's taken control of every game," Davis said. "He's pretty dominant and always shuts down the other team."

As the season winds down and the conference tournament draws near, the Demons continue to stay focused.

"We just need to go in, prepare well, and not take anything for granted," Davis said.

The Demons are scheduled to play a three-game series this weekend at Southeastern Louisiana.



Photo by Gary Hardamon

Demon ace, O.J. King.

Softball

Standings	W	L	%
1)Southwest Texas	23	4	.852
2)Northwestern State	**22**	**5**	.815
3)Texas-San Antonio	19	8	.704
4)McNeese State	17	10	.630
5)Southeastern La.	15	11	.577
6)Louisiana-Monroe	13	16	.448
7)Texas-Arlington	9	17	.346
8)Sam Houston	9	18	.333
9)Nicholls State	7	20	.259
10)SFA	3	23	.115

Home Runs (Southland season)

1)Tande, Lori, ULM	13
2)Brownlee, Christy, UTSA	11
3)Mancuso, Erin, NSU	9

Batting Avg. (SLC)

1)Johnston,Annie, NSU	.444
2)Goodman, Casey, ULM	.370
3)McAvoy, Amber, SHSU	.364
4)Martin, Nicole, NSU	.358
5)Zaleski, Kristen	.357

E.R.A (SLC)

1)Neuerburg, Nicole, SWT	1.13
2)Miller, Crista, NSU	1.16
3)Ortego, Amanda, NSU	1.36
4)Woodmansee, Monique, SLU	1.57
5)Rasberry, Loni	1.65

Batters Struck out

Southwest Texas
Texas-San Antonio
Northwestern State
Nicholls State
Stephen F. Austin

In-line hockey skates into University club sports

By Jeremy Pace
Sauce Reporter

For those looking for hockey action this far south, NSU has a solution. It's not your run-of-the-mill ice hockey, seeing that Natchitoches neither has the facilities to support an ice hockey team nor a plethora of frozen ponds. Northwestern State University has a new club sport, inline hockey.

Team president Alan Sypert, team captain Keith Perry and the remaining members of the team had to receive University approval before they could become a club sport.

Sypert started the team after speaking with a friend who was already involved with in-line hockey at the collegiate level and plays in the league that Sypert and his friends are joining. 14 members and many practices later the Northwestern State in-line hockey team is nearly at competitive level.

There may be no ice to skate on in Natchitoches, but there are also no places currently for an in-line hockey team to practice.

Every Thursday, the members of the NSU in-line hockey team load up their gear and drive the nearly 300 mile round trip to Lafayette to practice. Things are looking up because next semester the team will be able to practice right here in Natchitoches at the Armory on Fair Grounds Road.

With only scrimmages and pickup games under their belts, the team will shortly have their chance to test the waters of competitive in-line hockey.

The team will travel from Natchitoches to Dallas, Texas, where most of their games will occur. They will face teams representing schools like Stephen F. Austin, University of Texas, and Texas Christian, to name a few.

Sypert was optimistic about the team's progress.

"I just hope that this has a lasting effect," Sypert said.

And it looks as though it will. The team has been working hard and, after the summer, may have even more members and support.

Freshmen attending summer orientation will have a chance to learn about in-line hockey first hand. The team will have a representative with information for new students interested in in-line hockey at NSU.

It may be different from the hockey you see on ESPN and the rules might be a little different, but NSU in-line hockey shows promise of things to come for the sport in the state of Louisiana.

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Football

2002 Demon football Schedule

8/31	**Delta State**	6 p.m.
9/7	**Southern @Shreveport**	6 p.m.
9/14	Delaware St.	Noon
9/21	Georgia	Noon
9/28	Open	
10/5	**Elon**	2 p.m.
10/12	**SW Texas**	6 p.m.
10/19	**SW Oklahoma**	3 p.m.
10/26	Nicholls	3:30
11/2	**Sam Houston**	2 p.m.
11/9	J'Ville St.	4 p.m.
11/16	**McNeese**	2 p.m.
11/23	SFA	4 p.m.

Quarterbacks Drafted (by conference)

1) Southland (3)
2) C-USA (3)
3) Big 10 (2)
4) PAC 10(2)
5) WAC (1)
6) ACC (1)